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STATISTICS OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

Area of State—975,920 square miles.

Metropolitan Area—191 square miles.

I.—POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS.

No. 1.—Population of Western Australia (exclusive of full-blood Aboriginals†) from 1952.*

(For mean population of fiscal years, see Table No. 7.)

Period.	Estimated Population at end of Period.			Increase during Period.	Masculinity. (a)	Mean Population.	Estimated Population of Metropolitan Area at end of Period.
	Males.	Females.	Total.				
1952	316,700	296,235	612,935	22,596	106·91	600,615	335,000
1953	326,372	305,371	631,743	18,808	106·88	621,034	345,000
1954	334,886	314,529	649,415	17,872	106·47	640,140	354,000
1955	345,487	325,263	670,750	21,335	106·22	658,747	365,000
1956	353,082	331,753	684,835	14,085	106·43	677,318	(c) 373,000
1956—							
March Quarter	347,164	326,512	673,676	2,926	106·33	672,213	(b)
June Quarter	348,968	328,421	677,389	3,713	106·26	675,533	369,000
Sept. Quarter	350,215	330,471	680,686	3,297	105·97	679,038	(b)
Dec. Quarter	353,082	331,753	684,835	4,149	106·43	682,761	(c) 373,000

(a) Number of Males to each 100 Females.

(b) Not available.

(c) Subject to revision.

† Estimated Full-blood Aboriginal Population in the State on 30th June, 1956—14,000.

* Adjusted in accordance with final results of the Census of 30th June, 1954.

No. 2.—Migration.

Period	Arrivals.			Departures.			Excess of Arrivals over Departures. (a).		
	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.
INTERSTATE.									
1952	36,930	28,036	64,966	36,291	27,008	63,389	630	938	1,577
1953	38,562	29,230	67,792	37,418	29,210	66,628	1,144	20	1,164
1954	38,537	28,576	67,113	38,770	28,471	67,241	—	233	105
1955	40,550	30,466	71,016	40,945	29,839	70,784	—	395	627
1956	40,767	29,932	70,699	43,338	32,091	75,420	—	2,571	—2,159
1956—									—4,730
March Quarter	11,366	9,205	20,571	13,258	10,387	23,645	—1,892	—1,182	—3,074
June Quarter	9,663	6,843	16,506	10,231	6,928	17,159	—	568	—653
September Quarter	8,246	6,039	14,285	9,274	6,061	15,335	—	1,028	—22
December Quarter	11,492	7,845	19,337	10,575	8,715	19,290	917	—870	47
OVERSEAS.									
1952	10,287	7,410	17,697	8,333	3,264	6,597	6,954	4,146	11,100
1953	7,265	7,006	14,271	3,730	3,447	7,177	3,535	3,550	7,094
1954	8,233	7,624	15,857	4,389	4,112	8,501	3,844	3,512	7,356
1955	9,968	8,217	18,185	4,302	4,024	8,326	5,666	4,193	9,859
1956	9,089	7,020	16,109	4,528	4,110	8,638	4,561	2,910	7,471
1956—									
March Quarter	3,195	2,127	5,322	1,157	1,088	2,245	2,038	1,039	3,077
June Quarter	2,321	1,762	4,083	1,421	1,326	2,747	900	436	1,336
September Quarter	1,950	1,554	3,504	943	845	1,788	1,007	709	1,716
December Quarter	1,623	1,577	3,200	1,007	851	1,858	616	726	1,342
TOTAL.									
1952	47,217	35,446	82,663	39,624	30,362	69,986	7,593	5,084	12,677
1953	45,827	36,236	82,063	41,148	32,657	73,805	4,679	3,579	8,258
1954	46,770	36,200	82,970	43,159	32,583	75,742	3,611	3,617	7,228
1955	50,518	38,683	89,201	45,247	33,863	79,110	5,271	4,820	10,091
1956	49,856	36,952	86,808	47,866	36,201	84,067	1,990	751	2,741
1956—									
March Quarter	14,561	11,332	25,893	14,415	11,475	25,890	146	—143	3
June Quarter	11,984	8,605	20,589	11,652	8,254	19,906	332	351	683
September Quarter	10,196	7,593	17,789	10,217	6,906	17,123	—	21	687
December Quarter	13,115	9,422	22,537	11,582	9,566	21,148	1,533	—144	1,389

(a) Minus sign (—) denotes excess of Departures over Arrivals.

No. 3.—Marriages, Births, and Deaths in Western Australia from 1952.

Period.	Marri- ages.	Births.			Deaths.			Excess of Births over Deaths.	Annual Birth, Death, and Marriage Rate per 1,000 of Mean Population.			Infant Mor- tality Rate per 1,000 Live Births.
		M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.		Birth Rate.	Death Rate.	Marri- age Rate.	
1952	5,389	7,826	7,587	15,413	3,077	2,132	5,209	10,204	25.66	8.67	8.97	24.91
1953	5,032	8,056	7,806	15,862	3,008	2,064	5,072	10,790	25.54	8.17	8.10	23.83
1954	5,204	8,136	7,792	15,928	3,203	2,181	5,364	10,564	24.88	8.38	8.13	22.54
1955	5,145	8,436	8,187	16,623	3,106	2,273	5,379	11,244	25.23	8.17	7.81	22.44
1956	5,080	8,870	8,046	16,916	3,265	2,307	5,572	11,344	24.97	8.23	7.50	22.70
1956—												
March Quarter	1,372	2,295	1,944	4,239	764	552	1,316	2,923	25.22	7.83	8.16	23.12
June Quarter	1,348	2,294	2,084	4,378	823	525	1,348	3,030	25.92	7.98	7.98	22.38
Sept. Quarter	1,055	2,213	2,031	4,244	944	669	1,613	2,631	25.00	9.50	6.21	24.74
Dec. Quarter	1,305	2,068	1,987	4,055	734	561	1,295	2,760	23.76	7.59	7.65	20.47

II.—FINANCE.

No. 4.—State Revenue, July to December, 1956.

Particulars.		October.	November.	December.	Six Months ended 31st Dec.
	Governmental.	£	£	£	£
Taxation—					
States Grants (Tax Reimbursement) Acts (a)	909,000	909,000	939,000		5,484,000
Land Tax	16,444	10,845	4,424		120,941
Entertainment Tax	21,562	21,626	16,774		121,470
Totalisator Duty	12,836	14,026	8,067		62,849
Stamp Duty	107,484	110,577	97,179		636,092
Probate Duty	78,130	63,186	53,501		361,322
Licenses	5,641	23,561	36,686		176,443
Turnover Tax and Bookmakers' Licenses	25,676	36,361	17,788		153,306
Total	1,176,773	1,189,182	1,173,419		7,116,423
Territorial—					
Land	11,778	7,694	6,624		115,464
Mining	964	1,713	2,046		31,598
Timber	85,169	75,041	72,666		469,829
Total	97,911	84,448	81,336		616,891
Law Courts	27,305	25,209	21,613		144,067
Departmental Reimbursements, Fees, etc.	341,576	373,860	670,257		2,819,273
Royal Mint	9,000	7,000	6,798		45,864
Total	377,881	406,069	698,668		2,509,204
Commonwealth—					
States Grants Act (b)	739,583	932,167	758,500		4,649,000
Interest Contributions	39,453	39,453	39,453		236,718
Total (Commonwealth)	779,036	971,620	797,953		4,885,718
Total (Governmental)	2,431,601	2,651,319	2,751,376		15,128,236
	Public Utilities.				
Country Areas Water Supply	59,739	25,089	36,622		251,228
State Abattoirs and Saleyards	12,086	12,314	2,058		53,169
Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage	254,026	347,394	125,781		1,315,489
Other Hydraulic Undertakings	38,191	18,764	34,554		129,248
Railways	1,430,642	1,229,752	926,869		7,391,032
Tramways	94,802	86,178	78,722		503,645
State Ferries	845	840	972		4,758
State Batteries	4,741	5,187	4,176		23,836
Caves House	2,911	3,936	2,540		16,969
Medina Hotel	3,139	2,637	1,941		16,222
Total	1,901,122	1,732,091	1,214,235		9,705,596
Grand Total	4,332,723	4,383,410	3,965,611		24,833,832

(a) Includes amounts paid under States Grants (Special Financial Assistance) Acts but treated as Tax Reimbursement by the State Treasury.

(b) See note (a).

No. 5.—State Expenditure, July to December, 1956.

Particulars.	October.	November.	December.	Six Months ended 31st Dec.
Special Acts.				
Constitution Act of 1951	467	467	467	2,799
Loan Acts—Interest and Sinking Fund	710,447	706,707	707,365	4,246,406
Auditor General	228	1,000	285	2,309
Agriculture Protection Board	8,750	8,750	8,750	52,500
Coal Mine Workers (Pensions) Act, 1943–50	2,500	2,500	2,500	15,000
Commonwealth Pensions .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Court of Arbitration	617	1,612	681	4,761
Fire Brigades	21,350	.....	.....	40,417
Forests Act—Conservator of Forests	238	1,091	297	2,462
Forests Act—Transfer from Revenue	75,605	60,395	57,257	387,003
Government Employees Pension Act, 1948	1,054	1,539	1,012	6,704
Judges Pensions	374	202	237	1,389
Judges Salaries and Pensions Act	1,240	1,240	1,240	7,440
Members of Parliament, Reimbursement of Expenses	1,588	1,704	1,604	9,587
Mine Workers' Relief	3,473	7	.....	6,879
Native Administration .....	.....	.....	.....	10,000
Parliamentary Allowances	15,750	15,886	15,883	94,364
Parliamentary Superannuation Act .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pensions and Retiring Allowances	12,006	10,971	11,430	69,567
Pensions Supplementation Act	15,454	22,448	15,446	99,628
Public Service Commissioner	231	1,014	279	2,216
Royal Mint .....	.....	.....	.....	25,000
Stipendiary Magistrates	998	4,378	1,109	9,979
Superannuation Act	41,437	41,940	41,862	269,763
Agent-General	179	179	179	1,075
University Buildings Acts	1,242	.....	3,108	4,935
University of W.A.	20,833	20,833	20,833	125,000
Wheat Industry Stabilisation	37	.....	28	115
University—Medical School Act No. 30 of 1955 .....	.....	609	.....	1,219
Total	936,098	905,472	891,852	5,498,517
Legislature.				
Legislative Council	726	934	580	5,298
Legislative Assembly	995	959	1,078	7,008
Joint House Committee	2,222	2,073	2,434	12,782
Joint Printing Committee	1,741	1,798	1,777	16,052
Joint Library Committee	37	71	57	354
Total	5,721	5,835	5,926	41,494
Departments.				
<i>Premier and Treasurer—</i>				
Premier	2,355	1,890	2,210	19,777
Treasury	11,428	11,430	12,018	84,052
Governor's Establishment	1,350	1,636	1,475	9,444
London Agency	3,384	3,924	1,800	15,898
Public Service Commissioner	1,283	1,364	1,337	9,546
Government Motor Cars	1,734	1,929	120	7,689
Audit	6,430	5,843	7,424	43,233
Compassionate Allowances	74	48	48	301
Government Stores	9,205	9,026	9,182	62,381
Taxation .....	.....	.....	25,000	25,000
Superannuation Board	991	1,044	1,099	7,235
Printing	32,497	44,748	33,864	237,146
Miscellaneous	157,060	210,754	150,646	939,530
Total	227,791	293,636	245,983	1,461,232
<i>Minister for Child Welfare—</i>				
Child Welfare	41,546	28,934	35,013	210,035
<i>Minister for Works and Water Supplies—</i>				
Public Works and Buildings	111,542	102,657	36,697	582,163
<i>Minister for Education and Labour—</i>				
Education	526,847	741,942	532,714	3,466,087
Labour	1,050	946	1,153	7,546
Factories	2,367	2,152	2,295	15,708
Total	530,264	745,040	536,162	3,489,341
<i>Chief Secretary—</i>				
Chief Secretary	10,730	9,788	5,838	65,639
Registry and Friendly Societies	7,138	7,284	5,442	47,116
Prisons	21,301	16,903	19,468	105,902
Observatory	373	423	487	2,954
Total	39,542	34,378	31,235	221,611
<i>Minister for Local Government and Town Planning—</i>				
Local Government	2,668	2,429	2,928	19,534
Town Planning	2,526	2,361	3,117	15,719
Total	5,194	4,790	6,045	35,253

No. 5.—State Expenditure, July to December, 1956—continued.

Particulars.	October.	November.	December.	Six Months ended 31st Dec.
Minister for Lands and Agriculture—				
Lands and Surveys	£ 61,222	£ 55,216	£ 51,446	£ 365,823
Agriculture	51,828	56,190	72,538	378,570
College of Agriculture	6,240	4,664	4,604	29,111
Agriculture Protection Board	2,570	2,727	1,604	15,075
Bush Fires Board	731	956	749	5,724
Total	122,591	119,753	130,941	794,303
Minister for Police and Native Welfare—				
Police	115,452	114,380	134,070	767,901
Native Welfare	10,000	17,920	15,000	92,823
Total	125,452	132,300	149,070	860,724
Minister for Health and Justice—				
Medical	147,321	285,792	305,559	1,598,866
Homes	25,984	30,657	30,137	176,244
Public Health	44,136	29,566	44,579	259,780
Tuberculosis	59,498	43,297	53,791	299,085
Mental Hospitals and Inebriates	83,694	83,276	64,599	429,701
Crown Law	35,481	38,679	37,529	259,097
Licensing	715	547	1,722	5,184
Arbitration Court	2,581	1,564	3,195	15,519
Total	399,410	513,378	541,111	3,043,476
Minister for Housing and Forests—				
Housing .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Forests	26,512	23,099	29,927	167,070
Total	26,512	23,099	29,927	167,070
Minister for Mines, Industrial Development and Fisheries—				
Mines	32,712	30,133	29,083	214,482
Industrial Development	11,526	20,627	6,076	59,870
Fisheries	4,408	3,602	4,543	30,347
Tourist Bureau	3,472	3,597	2,891	21,299
Total	52,118	57,959	42,593	325,998
Minister for North-West, Supply and Shipping—				
North-West	170,674	140,484	341,597	1,059,965
Harbour and Lights and Jetties	16,514	15,122	15,489	113,422
Supply and Shipping	671	642	722	4,798
Total	187,859	156,248	357,808	1,178,185
Total Departmental	1,869,821	2,212,172	2,142,585	12,369,391
Public Utilities—				
Country Areas Water Supply Schemes	64,548	67,596	54,823	356,333
Other Hydraulic Undertakings	51,421	45,652	38,074	278,002
State Abattoirs and Saleyards	3,731	11,338	13,692	56,965
Metropolitan Water Supply, Sewerage and Drainage	87,809	82,046	74,411	503,134
Railways	1,451,713	1,456,944	1,534,048	8,495,049
Tramways	110,121	101,651	106,705	629,745
Ferries	1,234	1,149	1,310	7,197
State Batteries	15,329	15,086	3,233	77,369
Caves House, etc.	4,823	5,894	3,205	25,028
Medina Hotel	2,593	2,543	3,202	15,391
Total	1,793,322	1,789,899	1,832,703	10,444,213
GRAND TOTAL	4,604,962	4,913,378	4,873,066	28,353,615

No. 6.—Net Loan Expenditure on Public Works, etc., from 1872.

Includes Expenditure from Loan Suspense Account.

Year.	Railways and Tramways.	Harbours and Rivers.	Electricity Supply.	Public Buildings.	Water Supply and Sewerage, etc. (a)	Development of Goldfields and Mineral Resources. (b)	Development of Agriculture. (b)	Miscellaneous. (c)	Total. (d)
To 30-6-51	£ 32,400,546	£ 9,035,622	£ 9,642,693	£ 6,377,282	£ 24,382,704	£ 5,148,416	£ 27,546,820	£ 13,400,362	£ 127,934,445
1951-52	7,599,037	1,346,808	3,341,916	1,364,556	2,401,331	304,949	Cr. 35,928	1,435,626	17,758,295
1952-53	6,766,730	1,210,975	89,576	2,716,163	2,429,186	297,067	325,559	3,771,081	17,606,337
1953-54	5,647,407	1,163,776	703,104	1,572,045	1,969,720	143,016	1,124,192	1,870,714	14,193,974
1954-55	4,875,814	960,011	705,000	1,996,616	2,830,321	68,886	Cr. 13,347	3,307,669	14,730,970
1955-56	3,069,649	819,147	1,024,690	2,093,645	2,758,108	....	801,748	....	13,314,315
Total	£ 60,359,183	£ 14,536,339	£ 15,506,979	£ 16,120,307	£ 36,771,370	£ 6,035,694	£ 29,749,044	£ 26,459,420	£ 205,538,336

(a) Including Irrigation and Country Water Supplies.

(b) Including funds provided for the Rural and Industries Bank, and Land Settlement, etc. (c) Including State Trading Concerns. (d) Exclusive of Flotation Expenses and Revenue Deficits

No. 7.—Summary of State Revenue, 1st July, 1951, to 31st December, 1956.

Period.	Collected by the State.					From Commonwealth Funds. (b)	Total State Revenue.	Mean Population.	Revenue per head of Population.				
	Taxation. (a)	Land, Timber and Mining.	Business Concerns.		Other Sources.								
			Railways and Tramways.	Other.									
1951-52	£ 11,716,390	£ 650,062	£ 10,133,268	£ 2,180,082	£ 3,713,923	£ 5,561,432	£ 33,955,157	No. 589,887	£ 57.56				
1952-53	13,478,095	756,378	8,980,290	2,381,595	4,614,446	8,673,432	38,884,236	611,191	63.62				
1953-54	14,581,503	964,421	12,404,000	2,833,377	4,539,107	7,823,770	43,145,840	630,705	68.41				
1954-55	15,435,088	1,007,040	13,456,025	3,182,535	5,085,726	7,573,432	45,719,846	648,930	70.45				
1955-56	16,331,246	1,248,828	14,003,369	3,376,725	5,278,806	9,373,432	49,612,406	669,040	74.15				
1956-57	Sept. Qr. 3,577,048	353,196	4,047,682	810,467	1,026,585	2,337,109	12,152,087	....	....		
	Dec. Qr. 3,539,374	263,695	3,846,695	1,000,483	1,482,618	2,548,609	12,081,744	....	....		

(a) Includes amounts paid by the Commonwealth under the States Grants (Special Financial Assistance) Acts, but treated as Tax Reimbursement by the State Treasury, viz., £2,390,051 in 1951-52, £2,110,215 in 1952-53, £1,717,514 in 1953-54, £1,566,422 in 1954-55, and £1,060,354 in 1955-56. (b) See note (a).

No. 8.—Summary of State Expenditure, from 1st July, 1951, to 31st December, 1956.

Period.	Interest and Sinking Funds, Public Debt.	Lands, Surveys, Forests, and Mines.	Business Concerns.		Education.	All other.	Total State Expenditure.	Per head of Population.
			Railways and Tramways.	Other.				
1951-52	£ 4,870,602	£ 1,074,513	£ 12,054,141	£ 1,690,829	£ 3,630,893	£ 11,225,790	£ 34,546,768	£ 58.57
1952-53	5,305,493	1,312,496	13,957,317	2,064,785	4,342,770	12,409,258	39,392,119	64.45
1953-54	6,073,652	1,470,460	15,509,364	2,107,440	4,751,276	13,336,327	43,248,519	68.57
1954-55	6,928,473	1,497,219	15,633,842	2,363,680	5,546,235	14,234,440	46,203,889	71.20
1955-56	7,725,391	2,059,972	16,878,369	2,669,702	6,168,597	15,941,206	51,443,237	76.89
1956-57	Sept. Quarter 2,121,888	602,604	4,363,630	664,660	1,664,584	4,544,842	13,962,208	....
	Dec. Quarter 2,124,510	534,233	4,761,182	654,742	1,801,503	4,515,227	14,391,406	....

No. 9.—Public Debt, 1952 to 1956 ; also Indebtedness per Head of Estimated Population.

Date.	Amount Maturing.				Balance of Sinking Fund held by National Debt Commission.	Net Indebtedness (Approx.).	
	London.	New York.	Australia.	Total.		Amount.	Per head of Population.
30th June—	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1952	35,986,808	2,015,243	100,286,480	138,288,531	£ 323,313	137,965,218	230.0
1953	35,970,308	2,008,667	115,093,195	153,072,170	930,677	152,341,493	245.2
1954	35,819,608	1,359,499	128,603,438	165,782,545	410,841	165,371,704	258.5
1955	35,770,204	1,037,912	141,073,233	177,881,349	221,058	177,660,201	269.8
1956	35,770,204	1,125,244	151,837,292	188,732,740	122,377	188,610,363	278.4

No. 10.—Savings Bank Transactions in Western Australia from 1st July, 1951.

Period.	Amount deposited during period. (a)	Amount withdrawn during period. (a)	Excess of Deposits over Withdrawals.	Interest.	Number of Accounts (at end of period).	Due to Depositors (at end of Period).		
						Total Amount.	Average to credit of each account.	Average per head of population.
1951-52	£ 44,022,005	£ 42,285,902	£ 1,736,103	£ 762,405	No. 403,678	£ 47,170,835	£ 116.85	£ 78.64
1952-53	46,660,295	44,929,393	1,730,902	892,551	414,288	49,794,288	120.19	80.25
1953-54	51,541,936	49,679,397	1,862,589	957,502	422,480	52,614,379	124.54	82.24
1954-55	53,085,856	53,116,590	(b) 30,734	1,045,294	426,637	53,628,939	125.70	81.44
1955-56	57,628,452	54,490,986	3,137,466	1,167,385	446,413	57,933,790	129.78	85.53
1956-57	Sept. Qr. 17,245,610	14,673,602	2,572,008	....	447,813	60,519,121	135.14	....
	Dec. Qr. 16,586,000	16,055,000	531,000	....	453,968	61,060,861	134.55	....

(a) Exclusive of transfers from and to other States of the Commonwealth.

(b) Excess of withdrawals over deposits.

No. 11.—Bank Clearings—Weekly Averages for Perth during the undermentioned periods :—

Year.	Quarter Ended.				Year.
	March.	June.	September.	December.	
1951	(£,000) 12,446	(£,000) 11,724	(£,000) 9,911	(£,000) 11,564	(£,000) 11,403
1952	12,311	11,951	10,037	11,598	11,466
1953	12,337	11,851	11,502	13,723	12,341
1954	13,924	13,635	12,964	13,820	13,692
1955	14,467	13,729	12,808	14,287	13,793
1956	14,970	14,319	13,898	14,163	14,538

No. 12.—Cheque Paying Banks†—Averages of Customers' Balances and Bank Advances in W.A.
Averages based on Amounts as at close of business each Wednesday.

Period.	Customers' Balances.						Loans, Advances, and Bills Discounted.			Ratio of Advances to Deposits.	
	Not Bearing Interest.		Bearing Interest.				Total.	Australian Govts.	Other.	Total.	
	Australian Govts.	Other.	Australian Govts.	Other.	Current.	Fixed.					
1951-52	(£,000) 1,426	(£,000) 70,111	(£,000) 186	(£,000) 12,353	(£,000) 85,461	(£,000)	(£,000) 41,676	(£,000) 41,676	(£,000) 41,676	% 48.77	
1952-53	1,207	70,318	273	1,176	12,053	85,117	.....	43,676	43,676	51.31
1953-54	1,166	74,026	6	1,324	14,410	90,932	.....	53,214	53,214	58.52
1954-55	1,315	73,798	11	1,346	13,978	90,448	.....	68,915	68,915	76.19
1955-56	835	70,204	9	2,273	13,929	87,250	.....	71,293	71,293	81.71
1956-57—											
September Qr.	591	66,198	20	3,313	15,174	85,296	.....	69,699	69,699	81.71
December Qr.	502	70,320	1	3,729	17,218	91,770	.....	68,200	68,200	74.32

† Private Trading Banks, Commonwealth Trading Bank and Rural and Industries Bank of W.A. (Rural Department only).

No. 13.—Private Trading Banks†—Averages of Customers' Balances and Bank Advances in W.A.
Averages based on Amounts as at close of business each Wednesday.

Period.	Customer's Balances.					Loans, Advances, and Bills Discounted.				
	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Year.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Year.
1951-52	(£,000) 66,045	(£,000) 67,876	(£,000) 76,025	(£,000) 73,582	(£,000) 70,941	(£,000) 25,790	(£,000) 29,480	(£,000) 30,280	(£,000) 32,296	(£,000) 29,461
1952-53	63,095	64,649	76,833	75,431	69,868	34,032	33,449	30,169	30,976	32,196
1953-54	67,115	71,184	81,730	77,008	74,181	35,024	39,223	39,242	43,328	39,123
1954-55	71,428	71,710	76,504	70,238	72,485	48,938	53,681	51,289	53,912	51,916
1955-56	65,848	67,559	73,824	69,986	69,338	55,825	57,443	52,360	51,921	54,327
1956-57	67,865	73,004	....	....	....	52,282	51,576	....	....	....

† Viz., Australia and New Zealand Bank; Bank of Adelaide; Bank of New South Wales; Commercial Bank of Australia; Commercial Banking Co., of Sydney; English, Scottish and Australian Bank; and National Bank of Australasia.

No. 14.—Real Estate Transactions from 1st July, 1951.
(Registrations at Land Titles Office.)

Period.	Transfers.			Mortgages.		Discharges of Mortgages.
	No.	£	No.	£	No.	
1951-52	22,366	29,628,045	15,441	21,667,657	11,205	
1952-53	20,774	25,304,925	15,878	22,829,792	11,295	
1953-54	24,908	36,959,751	20,323	33,034,372	13,055	
1954-55	22,220	34,441,159	16,550	31,461,588	11,146	
1955-56	18,704	27,644,069	12,627	24,646,197	9,569	
1956-57—						
September Quarter	4,255	6,079,802	3,068	5,722,334	2,448	
December Quarter	4,195	6,072,082	3,084	5,525,185	2,288	

III.—SHIPPING.

No. 15.—Number and Net Tonnage of Vessels (including Vessels trading only within the State and Vessels calling at more than one Port) entered and cleared at each Western Australian Port during the Six Months ended 31st December, 1956,

ENTERED.

Port.	Oversea.				Interstate.				Local Shipping.		Total.	
	Via Ports within the State.		From Ports outside the State.		Via Ports within the State.		From Ports outside the State.					
	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.
Fremantle	20	64,768	300	1,749,660	21	56,492	221	1,110,970	43	107,085	605	3,088,975
Albany	3	10,316	22	93,532	...	...	12	51,091	9	34,378	46	189,917
Broome	...	...	2	4,240	7	9,733	...	...	27	42,559	36	56,532
Bunbury	2	7,330	14	47,847	...	...	2	8,700	23	46,005	41	109,882
Busselton	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	20,994	10	20,994
Carnarvon	2	3,393	1	1,528	9	18,224	1	4,195	38	55,820	51	83,160
Derby	...	...	10	19,079	4	7,292	...	...	40	41,256	54	67,627
Esperance	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	20,425	...	...	5	20,425
Geraldton	...	...	27	102,276	1	2,287	...	...	34	87,826	62	192,389
Onslow	...	...	...	...	9	12,507	...	...	48	74,249	57	86,756
Point Samson	...	...	...	...	9	12,545	1	1,656	34	32,770	44	46,971
Port Hedland	...	...	1	3,189	6	8,610	1	1,150	32	41,748	40	54,697
Wyndham	...	...	2	9,157	1	1,844	7	12,608	14	22,200	24	45,809
Yampi	...	...	1	5,223	2	3,642	11	59,765	40	19,744	54	88,374

CLEARED.

Port.	Oversea.				Interstate.				Local Shipping.		Total.	
	Via Ports within the State.		For Ports outside the State.		Via Ports within the State.		For Ports outside the State.					
	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.
Fremantle	8	20,590	338	1,778,250	28	44,598	200	1,199,039	49	127,009	623	3,169,486
Albany	6	27,853	17	74,702	...	...	9	36,734	14	50,028	46	189,317
Broome	1	2,120	2	4,337	8	12,693	1	1,123	22	32,811	34	53,084
Bunbury	7	29,068	12	42,758	2	2,308	15	23,903	6	18,091	42	116,128
Busselton	...	...	...	...	7	14,136	2	4,869	...	...	9	19,005
Carnarvon	2	4,337	5	14,575	12	16,380	...	...	32	47,888	51	83,160
Derby	1	2,217	3	3,851	9	13,691	...	...	40	45,484	53	65,243
Esperance	...	...	1	6,938	...	...	...	...	4	13,487	5	20,425
Geraldton	12	40,067	23	83,432	7	13,113	4	8,266	15	41,117	61	185,995
Onslow	...	...	3	11,663	12	17,270	...	...	42	57,822	57	86,755
Point Samson	...	...	...	...	5	6,422	3	3,842	35	35,584	43	45,848
Port Hedland	2	4,337	1	3,189	11	17,019	1	1,844	25	28,308	40	54,697
Wyndham	1	3,701	2	9,157	...	...	6	8,915	16	26,323	25	48,096
Yampi	...	...	...	...	2	2,790	13	70,419	39	15,169	54	88,378

No. 16—Number and Net Tonnage of Vessels entered and cleared at Western Australian Ports, from and to Ports outside the State, during the undermentioned Periods.

Year.	Inwards.				Outwards.				Inwards and Outwards.	
	Vessels.		Tons.		Vessels.		Tons.		Vessels.	Tons.
1938-39	916	4,251,368	930	4,326,529	1,846	8,577,897		
1950-51	1,049	5,506,575	1,060	5,552,156	2,109	11,058,731		
1951-52	1,039	5,477,087	1,045	5,523,959	2,084	11,011,046		
1952-53	1,005	5,339,213	1,027	5,413,420	2,032	10,752,633		
1953-54	994	5,250,774	1,003	5,315,041	1,997	10,565,815		
1954-55	1,131	6,121,659	1,138	6,154,422	2,269	12,276,081		
1955-56	1,232	6,703,604	1,258	6,754,321	2,490	13,457,925		
Six months ended 31st Dec., 1956	641	3,306,291	661	3,391,806	1,302	6,698,097		

No. 17.—Tonnage of Cargo Discharged and Shipped at Ports within the State.

Year.	Discharged.				Shipped.				Total Discharged and Shipped.	
	Oversea.	Interstate.	Coastal.	Total Discharged.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Coastal.	Total Shipped.		
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1938-39	749,216	340,190	66,262	1,155,668	957,209	117,816	64,170	1,139,195	2,294,863	
1950-51	1,449,444	480,273	82,432	2,012,149	1,224,759	130,840	79,921	1,435,520	3,447,669	
1951-52	1,585,286	505,635	90,614	2,181,535	1,094,310	210,857	94,199	1,399,366	3,580,901	
1952-53	1,208,339	536,760	97,575	1,842,674	1,139,711	727,567	97,959	1,965,237	3,807,911	
1953-54	1,285,386	564,773	99,923	1,950,082	627,076	743,914	100,977	1,471,967	3,422,049	
1954-55	2,047,279	701,508	137,670	2,886,457	1,027,698	992,106	143,023	2,162,827	5,049,284	
1955-56	2,996,415	518,811	199,333	3,714,559	1,377,688	1,732,795	213,184	3,323,667	7,038,226	

No. 18.—Tonnage of Cargo Discharged and Shipped at Ports within the State during the Six Months ended 31st December, 1956.

Port.	Discharged.						Total Discharged.	Shipped.						Total Shipped.	Total Discharged and Shipped.					
	Oversea.		Interstate.		Coastal.			Oversea.		Interstate.		Coastal.			Tons Weight.		Tons Measure- ment.			
	Tons Weight.	Tons Measure- ment.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measure- ment.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measure- ment.		Tons Weight.	Tons Measure- ment.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measure- ment.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measure- ment.		Tons Weight.	Tons Measure- ment.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measure- ment.		
Fremantle	1,419,748	68,021	176,314	114,089	23,382	11,439	1,619,444	193,549	804,600	26,298	520,572	29,574	68,090	24,161	1,393,262	80,033	3,012,700	273,582		
Albany	39,225	571	847	1,421	28,179	...	68,251	1,992	93,318	1,205	...	2	891	...	93,320	2,096	161,571	4,088		
Broome	152	...	...	5	1,026	3,593	1,026	3,750	66	160	...	6	1,034	1,733	1,100	1,899	3,126	5,649
Bunbury	29,661	10	645	76	...	...	30,306	86	85,214	26,108	3,355	22,047	...	...	88,569	48,155	118,875	48,241
Busselton	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12,062	...	...	...	12,062	...	12,062
Carnarvon	...	...	...	...	7,170	435	7,170	435	8,161	...	14	7	5,929	119	14,104	126	21,274	561
Derby	19	...	...	...	2,704	4,988	2,723	4,988	...	...	...	...	763	2,288	763	2,288	3,486	7,276
Esperance	...	20,380	579	...	...	...	20,380	579	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	20,380	581
Geraldton	21,252	...	16	27	23,054	22	44,322	49	191,412	169	27,785	3	273	51	219,470	223	263,792	272		
Onslow	...	...	...	...	4,434	1,816	4,434	1,816	67	...	...	...	1,925	1,735	1,992	1,735	6,426	3,551
Point Cloates	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Point Samson	...	...	...	...	3,631	495	3,631	495	...	...	...	...	6,688	80	6,688	80	10,319	575
Port Hedland	...	...	...	...	3,811	1,658	3,811	1,658	3,930	...	7,441	...	4,514	132	15,885	132	19,696	1,790
Wyndham	...	...	16	75	1,432	4,729	1,448	4,804	5,234	...	132,697	...	2,349	1,250	7,583	1,250	9,031	6,054
Yampi	...	...	...	344	...	781	...	1,125	...	...	132,697	...	178	...	132,875	...	134,000	...
Total	1,509,905	68,754	198,562	116,272	99,604	29,175	1,808,071	214,201	1,192,002	53,940	691,866	64,592	91,743	31,549	1,975,611	150,081	3,783,682	364,232		

IV.—TRADE.

No. 19.—Value of Imports into Western Australia showing origin, and value per head of mean population.

Country of Origin.	1938-39.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.	1954-55.	1955-56.
United Kingdom	£ 2,652,934	£ 31,027,034	£ 12,951,212	£ 22,819,913	£ 23,303,186	£ 17,608,993
Other States of Commonwealth (a)	12,051,989	59,266,858	68,606,336	82,687,077	91,054,823	88,975,963
New Zealand	35,710	51,002	26,927	40,979	44,575	64,631
Other British Commonwealth	1,207,544	9,717,340	6,900,612	7,361,842	7,362,073	5,192,406
Total, British Commonwealth	15,948,177	100,062,234	88,485,087	112,909,811	121,764,662	111,841,993
Foreign Countries	2,732,381	22,279,186	9,995,444	12,300,073	19,925,911	23,605,386
Miscellaneous Countries (Outside Packages)	121,419	....	....	1,799	11,968	10,286
Grand Total	18,801,957	122,341,420	98,480,531	125,212,340	141,702,541	135,457,665
Value of Imports per head of Mean Population	40.270	207.398	161.129	198.528	218.363	202.466

(a) Includes value of oversea origin goods, imported via other States of the Commonwealth.

No. 20.—Value of Exports from Western Australia showing destination and value per head of mean population.

Exports to.	1938-39.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.	1954-55.	1955-56.
United Kingdom	£ 7,229,141	£ 25,795,995	£ 36,772,081	£ 28,000,324	£ 26,223,301	£ 28,007,183
Other States of Commonwealth	5,407,517	17,701,894	24,829,409	19,594,967	23,654,934	34,232,768
New Zealand	103,652	6,534	45,458	103,315	793,898	1,991,577
Other British Commonwealth	1,454,189	12,910,652	12,005,773	8,836,333	13,360,396	9,480,470
Total, British Commonwealth	14,194,499	56,415,075	76,652,721	56,534,938	64,032,529	73,711,998
Foreign Countries	8,287,651	37,067,997	28,319,586	31,484,587	28,129,018	36,663,769
Ships' Stores	524,260	4,209,455	5,160,497	3,633,083	3,932,547	5,296,031
Grand Total	23,006,410	97,692,527	113,132,804	91,652,608	96,094,094	115,671,798
Value of Exports per head of Mean Population	49.275	165.612	185.102	145.318	148.081	172.892

No. 21.—Value of Interstate Trade with each State of the Commonwealth.

State.	Year ended 30th June, 1956.		Six Months ended 31st December, 1956.	
	Imports.	Exports.‡	Imports.	Exports.‡
New South Wales	£ 34,458,032	£ 14,030,414	£ 19,997,701	£ 8,969,930
Victoria	38,975,662	8,624,887	20,160,212	5,333,780
Queensland	2,844,041	994,715	1,916,343	319,796
South Australia	10,831,280	9,174,227	5,439,685	5,314,411
Tasmania	1,528,992	223,390	957,063	67,788
Northern Territory	337,956	1,185,135	91,920	721,209
Total	88,975,063	34,232,768	48,562,924	20,726,914

‡ Exclusive of Ships' Stores.

No. 22.—Value, according to Classes, of Imports into Western Australia.

Class No.	Name of Class.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.	1954-55.	1955-56.	Six Months ended 31st Dec., 1956.
I	Foodstuffs of Animal Origin	2,376,019	2,755,243	3,149,311	3,260,917	3,092,586	1,481,662
II	Foodstuffs of Vegetable Origin	6,129,384	7,041,099	8,103,675	9,008,315	8,721,698	5,192,612
III	Spiritous and Alcoholic Liquors	557,145	526,298	767,309	857,508	947,257	549,221
IV	Tobacco, Cigarettes, Cigars and Snuff	2,326,786	2,342,971	2,864,312	3,026,216	2,676,656	1,689,744
V	Live Animals	599,488	511,737	725,863	609,555	560,395	307,286
VI	Animal Substances not Foodstuffs	880,755	649,890	633,359	537,747	536,345	259,645
VII	Vegetable Substances and Fibres	773,230	638,205	733,900	711,145	549,374	319,377
VIII A	Yarns and Manufactured Fibres	3,787,756	1,472,304	1,512,147	2,024,054	1,474,242	965,906
VIII B	Textiles	8,467,696	3,931,960	6,981,934	6,983,000	6,597,073	3,145,427
VIII C	Apparel	8,865,873	7,890,218	10,382,319	10,741,129	10,235,256	6,209,577
IX	Oils, Fats and Waxes	9,286,775	8,411,695	8,858,425	15,976,293	18,305,200	9,449,743
X	Pigments, Paints and Varnishes	927,417	873,526	1,261,928	1,396,885	1,467,067	713,198
XI	Rocks and Minerals (including Ores and Concentrates)	1,132,928	1,223,431	1,581,554	1,662,279	1,447,316	796,762
XII A	Metals and Metal Manufactures	26,832,714	22,012,763	29,693,769	32,230,242	28,907,503	13,302,556
XII B	Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Appliances	4,223,673	3,986,062	5,145,391	5,478,529	5,724,473	2,908,042
XII C	Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical)	18,535,642	14,861,500	20,154,899	21,125,563	17,298,585	7,647,697
XIII A	Rubber and Rubber Manufactures	4,426,497	3,442,129	3,638,655	3,758,240	3,955,443	1,500,228
XIII B	Leather and Leather Manufactures	487,710	454,800	433,645	407,504	363,905	212,845
XIV	Wood and Wicker—Raw and Manufactured	1,037,499	509,667	923,539	816,052	839,581	458,090
XV	Earthenware, Cement, China, Glass, etc.	1,705,279	1,071,455	1,623,496	1,704,439	1,654,993	831,143
XVI A	Pulp, Paper and Board	2,574,337	1,372,610	1,659,175	2,587,996	2,329,000	1,447,670
XVI B	Paper Manufactures and Stationery	1,975,645	1,948,303	2,266,068	2,627,102	2,686,901	1,531,424
XVII	Sporting Materials, Toys, Fancy Goods, etc.	1,107,641	751,240	1,335,923	1,406,450	1,513,148	887,193
XVIII	Optical, Surgical and Scientific Instruments and Apparatus	871,616	529,084	843,781	915,518	973,259	513,513
XIX	Drugs, Fertilizers and Chemicals	5,209,004	4,978,042	5,910,373	6,732,608	6,759,693	3,837,321
XX	Miscellaneous	7,241,570	4,288,810	4,023,062	5,117,190	5,840,669	3,580,927
XXI	Gold and Silver : Bronze Specie	1,341	5,489	4,528	65	47	....
	Total Imports	122,341,420	98,480,531	125,212,340	141,702,541	135,457,665	69,738,809

No. 23.—Value of the more important Products of Western Australian Origin exported, and of Ships' Stores.

Commodity.		1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.	1954-55.	1955-56.	Six Months ended 31st Dec., 1956.
Beef, Preserved by cold process	.....	13,282,453	11,058,475	13,555,097	14,930,112	16,757,378	8,307,215
	Quantity.... lb.	567,177	718,691	873,785	1,018,832	1,171,613	539,592
Mutton and Lamb, Preserved by cold process	.....	2,300,953	14,228,094	7,294,910	7,108,748	14,556,055	8,332,207
	Quantity.... lb.	150,526	726,049	437,440	664,048	1,077,932	603,299
Meats, Canned	.....	2,648,510	3,237,905	3,228,224	2,621,491	2,421,700	793,896
	Quantity.... lb.	278,844	403,696	273,685	302,419	306,243	88,691
Milk and Cream—Condensed, Concentrated, etc., (Excluding Dried)	.....	5,533,880	5,168,452	7,172,039	3,314,468	3,906,381	3,943,931
	Quantity.... lb.	369,691	479,317	681,257	309,596	364,199	307,934
Butter	.....	314,546	332,768	373,991	370,904	561,801	185,558
	Quantity.... lb.	46,271	61,037	70,189	70,794	103,202	37,935
Eggs, in shell	.....	1,643,364	2,470,315	2,321,864	2,921,935	2,213,175	1,129,235
	Quantity.... doz.	304,499	550,983	525,802	612,251	481,595	264,511
Eggs, not in shell	.....	1,730,021	3,147,751	3,452,776	1,378,020	972,384	498,036
	Quantity.... lb.	209,398	470,220	564,698	167,717	116,020	61,245
Honey	.....	1,719,508	3,486,551	4,487,422	3,001,512	3,461,500	1,852,801
	Quantity.... lb.	82,284	165,239	198,883	136,377	209,798	122,388
Crayfish Tails	.....	2,890,663	2,930,255	3,222,166	3,376,571	3,528,996	669,254
	Quantity.... lb.	930,722	1,042,296	1,171,221	1,244,988	1,510,744	313,163
Wheat	.....	26,882,885	23,318,935	6,800,130	19,334,739	22,773,235	33,738,864
	Quantity.... bush.	22,884,041	20,173,406	5,635,764	13,738,956	14,429,864	18,917,801
Barley	.....	306,886	922,342	937,754	1,147,024	2,234,429	592,301
	Quantity.... bush.	265,523	584,551	438,185	641,596	962,945	260,400
Oats	.....	2,636,268	2,405,872	2,393,233	1,095,472	4,410,314	2,780,848
	Quantity.... bush.	1,639,570	999,955	863,093	485,739	1,696,372	1,058,449
Flour	.....	161,581	176,241	147,849	120,343	129,421	57,607
	Quantity.... Short ton	6,834,290	7,545,152	5,851,806	3,609,745	3,883,012	1,586,457
Potatoes	.....	266,020	253,147	315,470	177,561	44,773	86,608
	Quantity.... cwt.	386,727	375,073	650,233	256,056	85,609	247,391
Tomatoes, Fresh	.....	33,666	47,872	40,494	36,966	57,713	32,703
	Quantity.... cental	183,462	172,738	158,208	175,838	287,424	153,655
Other Fresh Vegetables	.....	218,726	219,544	229,780	208,206	197,303	95,887
Fruit, Fresh	.....	1,426,263	2,283,021	1,650,199	1,922,594	1,696,362	228,205
Hides and Skins	.....	1,593,824	1,970,521	1,647,343	1,454,005	1,632,971	1,024,238
Wool	.....	91,455,408	100,708,701	100,701,099	96,554,322	113,289,040	72,055,869
	Quantity.... lb.	28,645,328	33,879,266	35,672,828	29,648,223	28,947,217	22,772,070
	Value.... £	11,352,904	12,903,629	11,918,274	13,261,323	16,744,513	9,035,690
	Scoured	5,194,466	5,681,628	5,457,140	5,633,302	6,209,713	3,667,335
Pearls and Shell	.....	200,704	204,568	283,437	350,092	420,524	444,965
Whale Oil	.....	2,181,503	2,558,697	3,182,298	2,402,636	2,322,309	2,173,155
Petroleum and Shale Oils and Spirit, Refined	.....	1,360,705	936,473	1,093,332	945,251	967,447	911,121
	Quantity.... gal.	.....	.....	.....	64,292,726	322,722,169	165,052,770
	Value.... £	.....	.....	.....	2,986,578	16,135,019	8,234,648
Asbestos, Raw	.....	51,570	59,165	62,957	74,645	151,578	94,705
	Quantity.... cwt.	354,508	494,953	492,730	394,056	719,928	462,325
Iron Ore	.....	51,622	543,725	583,462	579,526	472,058	101,738
	Quantity.... ton	51,191	539,275	578,602	574,653	468,127	100,890
Timber	.....	1,032,909	2,074,421	2,248,885	1,920,987	2,796,356	1,303,778
Gold—Bullion	.....	6,571,284	12,399,246	6,615,109	9,668,885	6,420,786	6,657,473
All Other Articles	.....	11,740,139	12,820,988	13,655,891	13,019,758*	17,077,442*	9,948,323
	Total Exports £	97,692,527	113,132,804	91,652,608	96,094,094	115,671,798	83,477,561

* Revised.

No. 24.—Wool Exported from the several Western Australian Ports.

Ports.	Oversea.				Interstate.				Total.			
	Greasy.		Scoured.		Greasy.		Scoured.		Greasy.		Scoured.	

Twelve Months ended 30th June, 1956.

Fremantle	...	bale.	lb.	bale.	lb.	bale.	lb.	bale.	lb.	bale.	lb.	bale.	lb.	
Albany	...	330,719	102,766,014	74,505	16,323,952	14,730	4,748,442	1,899	420,561	345,458	107,514,456	76,404	16,744,513	
Broome	...	9,045	2,845,852	...	...	...	...	...	9,045	2,845,852	...	...
Bunbury	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Carnarvon	...	2,881	1,112,471	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,881	1,112,471	...	...
Derby	...	284	105,686	...	...	...	...	...	...	284	105,686	...	...
Geraldton	...	3,382	1,153,633	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,382	1,153,633	...	...
Onslow	...	243	85,685	...	...	...	...	...	...	243	85,685	...	...
Point Samson	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Port Hedland	...	1,308	471,257	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,308	471,257	...	...
Wyndham	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	...	Quantity	347,862	108,540,598	74,505	16,323,952	14,730	4,748,442	1,899	420,561	362,601	113,289,040	76,404	16,744,513
		Value	£	27,799,688	6,052,533	1,147,529	157,180	157,180	28,947,217	28,947,217	6,209,713			

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Six Months ended 31st December 1956.

Fremantle	...	bale.	lb.	bale.	lb.	bale.	lb.	bale.	lb.	bale.	lb.	bale.	lb.	
Albany	...	221,436	66,882,007	41,380	8,997,079	7,090	2,165,417	171	38,611	228,526	69,047,424	41,551	9,035,690	
Broome	...	5,769	1,744,898	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,769	1,744,898	...	...
Bunbury	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Carnarvon	...	1,002	363,871	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,002	363,871	...	...
Derby	...	270	101,672	...	...	...	...	...	...	270	101,672	...	...
Geraldton	...	760	239,856	...	...	...	...	...	...	760	239,856	...	...
Onslow	...	337	122,569	...	...	...	...	...	...	337	122,569	...	...
Point Samson	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Port Hedland	...	1,120	385,895	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,120	385,895	...	...
Wyndham	...	...	...	...	...	148	49,684	...	...	148	49,684	...	...
By Rail	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	...	Quantity	230,694	69,840,768	41,380	8,997,079	7,238	2,215,101	171	38,611	237,932	72,055,869	41,551	9,035,690
		Value	£	22,044,802	3,649,316	727,268	18,019	18,019	22,772,070	22,772,070	3,667,335			

No. 25.—Summary of Imports during the Six Months ended 31st December, 1956.

Commodities.	Unit.	Quantity.			Value.		
		Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.
<i>Class I.—Foodstuffs of Animal Origin.</i>							
Meats, Poultry and Game—							£
Preserved by Cold Process	lb.	23,114	23,114	23,114	2,524	2,524	
Preserved in Containers	lb.	470	908,492	908,962	123	137,566	137,689
Sausage Casings	lb.	2,159	18,720	20,879	3,205	34,003	37,208
Otherwise Prepared	lb.				1,001	4,365	5,366
Cream, Reduced or Condensed Milk—	lb.	307,410				46,811	
Condensed and Concentrated—							
Sweetened	lb.	189,187				17,653	
Unsweetened	lb.	844,917	3250178			68,248	435,133
Dried or in Powdered Form :							
Fullcream	lb.	1,662,296				281,563	
Skim	lb.	212,948				15,499	
Malted Milk	lb.	33,420				5,359	
Butter	lb.	(a)	21,840	21,840	(a)	5,746	
Margarine	lb.	(a)	2,042,402	2,042,402	(a)	168,953	168,953
Cheese	lb.	25,813	1,311,446	1,337,259	5,338	239,138	244,476
Infants' and Invalids' Food—							
Essentially of Milk	lb.	251,360				47,742	
Strained or Homogenised Foods for Infants	lb.	450	784,163	86		37,950	144,197
Other	lb.		315,090			58,419	
Fish—							
Fresh or Preserved by Cold Process	lb.	328,746	238,452	567,198	21,213	33,161	54,374
Smoked, Dried and Salted	lb.	241,768	8,452	250,220	14,883	1,864	16,747
Preserved in Containers	lb.	402,953	258,255	661,208	61,686	70,676	132,362
Gelatine, Edible	lb.	2,240	186,938	189,178	414	59,182	59,596
Meat Meal for Animals	cwt.		4,576	4,576		9,430	9,430
Other Foodstuffs of Animal Origin						300	27,561
Total, Class I.	....	....	....	....	108,249	1,373,413	1,481,662
<i>Class II.—Foodstuffs of Vegetable Origin.</i>							
Barley (Grain)	bush.	21,431				86,817	
Rice	cwt.						
Macaroni, Vermicelli and Spaghetti—							
Unprepared	lb.	70,473				3,242	
Prepared	lb.	(a)	573,173		12	55,350	235,138
Breakfast Foods—							
Oatmeal, Rolled Oats and Wheat-meal	lb.	171,296				5,588	
Other	lb.		652,937			84,129	
Biscuits, Cakes and Puddings (b)	lb.	14,690	94,786	109,476	2,497	14,327	16,824
Onions (c)	cwt.	680	14,736	15,416	1,132	64,633	65,765
Potatoes (c)	cwt.						
Vegetables Preserved in Containers	lb.	35,524	1,733,223	1,773,747	2,442	179,368	181,810
Bananas	cental	(a)	34,223	34,223	(a)	201,392	201,392
Dried Fruits—							
Raisins and Currents	lb.	(a)	984,602	984,602	(a)	77,716	77,716
Other Dried Fruits	lb.	(a)	488,112	488,112	(a)	52,968	52,968
Fruits Preserved in Containers	lb.		4,503,881	4,503,881		356,022	356,022
Jams	lb.	3,560	4,086,012	4,089,572	264	313,936	314,200
Pickles and Chutneys	lb.	16,006	360,748	376,754	1,884	50,248	52,132
Sauces	Imp. pt.	843	786,276	787,119	134	125,122	125,256
Nuts, Edible	lb.	274,539	922,147	1,196,686	16,003	125,221	141,224
Molasses, Treacle and Golden Syrup	cwt.		4,175	4,175		17,773	17,773
Spices	lb.	82,772	127,591	210,363	11,047	32,832	43,879
Coffee and/or Chicory	lb.	384,233	197,451	581,684	61,834	125,375	187,209
Tea	lb.	2,666,421	75,390	2,741,811	625,656	25,248	650,904
Confectionery—							
Chocolate	lb.	1,317	1,810,109	1,820,426	373	434,081	434,454
Other	lb.	16,086	1,895,628	1,911,714	2,301	307,969	310,270
Hops	lb.		72,458	72,458		22,395	22,395
Soups	lb.		635,002	635,002		106,888	106,888
Other Foodstuffs of Vegetable Origin					39,807	1,558,586	1,598,393
Total, Class II.	....	....	....	....	765,386	4,427,226	5,192,612
<i>Class III.—Spirituous and Alcoholic Liquors.</i>							
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider and Perry	gal.	2,787	4,036	6,823	1,504	3,670	5,174
Wine	gal.	662	486,493	487,155	1,319	351,990	353,309
Distilled Spirit Beverages	Pf. gal.	15,198	71,319	86,517	43,511	147,227	190,738
Total, Class III.	....	....	....	....	46,334	502,887	549,221

(a) Not recorded separately.

(b) Oversea Imports exclude Cakes and Puddings.

(c) Oversea Imports include Other Vegetables.

No. 25.—Summary of Imports during the Six Months ended 31st December, 1956—continued.

Commodities.	Unit.	Quantity.			Value.		
		Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.
<i>Class IV.—Tobacco, Cigarettes, Cigars and Snuff.</i>					£	£	£
Tobacco—							
Unmanufactured	lb.	11,656	...	11,656	3,807	...	3,807
Manufactured	lb.	8,179	804,054	812,233	3,549	548,657	552,206
Cigarettes	lb.	8,083	1,027,629	1,035,712	8,511	1,102,558	1,111,069
Cigars	lb.	30	10,869	10,899	52	22,610	22,662
Snuff	lb.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total, Class IV.	...	...	...	...	15,919	1,673,825	1,689,744
<i>Class V.—Live Animals.</i>							
Cattle	No.	2,670	2,670	2,670	99,100	99,100	
Pigs	No.	8	8	8	644	644	
Sheep	No.	8,981	8,981	8,981	202,239	202,239	
Other Live Animals	...	...	...	224	5,079	5,303	
Total, Class V.	...	...	...	224	307,062	307,286	
<i>Class VI.—Animal Substances (Mainly Unmanufactured), Not Foodstuffs.</i>							
Hides and Skins	...	...	...	...	19,957	19,957	
Wool—							
Greasy	lb.	227,183	227,183	227,183	54,999	54,999	
Scoured and Carbonised	lb.	38,934	38,934	38,934	12,198	12,198	
Tops	lb.	150,973	150,973	150,973	98,774	98,774	
Pearlshell	cwt.	(a)	1,746	1,746	49,809	49,809	
Other Animal Substances	...	...	...	2,602	21,306	23,908	
Total, Class VI.	...	...	...	2,602	257,043	259,645	
<i>Class VII.—Vegetable Substances and Fibres, Cork and Synthetic Fibres.</i>							
Grass and Field Seeds	lb.	22,386	678,883	701,269	2,451	45,816	48,267
Fibres—							
Leaf Fibres	cwt.	12,848	(a)	12,848	57,072	(a)	57,072
Kapok	lb.	244,900	...	244,900	27,890	...	27,890
Cofir	cwt.	5,882	...	5,882	12,002	...	12,002
Other Vegetable Substances	...	...	...	...	113,228	58,908	172,136
Synthetic Fibres and Filaments	...	...	...	...	1,634	376	2,010
Total, Class VII.	...	...	...	214,277	105,100	319,377	
<i>Class VIII.(A)—Yarns and Manufactured Fibres.</i>							
Wool Yarn (Knitting Wool)	lb.	5	91,537	91,542	18	133,442	133,460
Sewing Cottons and Silks	...	...	...	...	32,760	32,260	65,020
Cordage, Rope and Twines	...	...	...	...	1,071	52,769	53,840
Corn and Flour Bags and Sacks	doz.	350,850	575	351,425	443,888	748	444,633
Wool Packs	doz.	33,322	...	33,322	195,255	...	195,255
Other Yarns and Manufactured Fibres	...	...	...	...	34,666	39,029	73,695
Total, Class VIII.(A)	...	...	...	707,658	258,248	965,906	
<i>Class VIII.(B)—Textiles.</i>							
Blankets, Blanketing, Rugs and Rugging	...	...	...	...	6,566	78,221	84,787
Towels and Towelling	...	...	...	...	19,340	139,401	158,741
Piece Goods—							
Apparel Fabrics	...	...	...	...	(d)	703,301	703,301
Furnishing Fabrics	...	...	...	...	(d)	99,185	99,185
Canvas and Duck	...	...	...	...	20,696	138,443	159,139
Moquettes, Velvets, Velvetines, Plushes and the Like	...	...	...	...	8,942	(e)	8,942
Cotton	...	...	...	...	565,308	(e)	565,308
Silk and/or Rayon	...	...	...	...	117,870	(e)	117,870
Linoleums	...	...	...	...	96,405	90,157	186,562
Carpets and Carpeting	...	...	...	...	121,650	233,558	355,208
Bed and Table Linens, Handkerchiefs and the Like	...	...	...	...	28,343	292,828	321,171
Other Textiles and Textile Manufacturers	...	...	...	...	130,077	255,136	385,213
Total, Class VIII.(B)	...	...	...	1,115,197	2,030,230	3,145,427	

(a) Not recorded separately. (d) Oversea Imports classified according to type of fibre. (e) Interstate Imports classified according to use—Apparel or Furnishing.

No. 25.—Summary of Imports during the Six Months ended 31st December, 1956—continued.

Commodities.	Unit.	Quantity.			Value.		
		Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total
<i>Class VIII.(C)—Apparel.</i>					£	£	£
Apparel (except Corsetry, Gloves, Headwear and Footwear)—							
Men's, Youths' and Boys' :							
Hosery .....	....	....	....	....	1,088	169,871	170,959
Bathing Suits, Cardigans, Pull-overs and the Like .....	....	....	....	....	(a)	150,054	150,054
Overcoats and Raincoats .....	....	....	....	....	(a)	41,009	41,009
Pajamas and Shirts .....	....	....	....	....	(a)	353,106	353,106
Shorts, Trousers, Coats, Suits and the Like .....	....	....	....	....	457	719,086	719,543
Overalls .....	....	....	....	....	(a)	76,656	76,656
Dressing Gowns .....	....	....	....	....	(a)	25,008	25,008
Underwear .....	....	....	....	....	(a)	159,737	159,737
Other .....	....	....	....	....	(a)	77,329	77,329
Women's, Maids' and Girls' :							
Hosery .....	....	....	....	....	722	390,146	390,868
Bathing Suits .....	....	....	....	....	(a)	112,849	112,849
Cardigans, Pullovers and the Like .....	....	....	....	....	(a)	183,606	183,606
Overcoats and Raincoats .....	....	....	....	....	(a)	132,288	132,288
Costumes, Dresses, Skirts and the Like .....	....	....	....	....	691	906,383	907,074
Underwear and Night Attire .....	....	....	....	....	(a)	615,216	615,216
Slacks, Shorts, Jeans and the Like .....	....	....	....	....	(a)	44,157	44,157
Other .....	....	....	....	....	(a)	106,829	106,829
Infants' Apparel .....	....	....	....	....	(a)	59,836	59,836
Corsetry .....	....	....	....	....	....	224,571	224,571
Gloves .....	....	....	....	....	7,332	47,080	54,412
Headwear .....	....	....	....	....	8,337	157,487	165,824
Footwear .....	....	....	....	....	22,286	1,225,872	1,248,158
Other Apparel and Trimmings .....	....	....	....	....	27,160	163,328	190,488
Total, Class VIII. (C) .....	....	....	....	....	68,073	6,141,504	6,209,577
<i>Class IX.—Oils, Fats and Waxes.</i>							
Greases and Grease Substitutes	lb.	29,727	820,205	849,932	2,110	60,562	62,672
Linseed Oil	gal.	9,098	25,330	34,428	6,376	24,631	31,007
Olive Oil	gal.	21,139	3,165	24,304	41,725	9,710	51,435
Petroleum and Shale Oils and Spirits—							
Crude Petroleum	gal.	288860038	....	288860038	7,180,392	....	7,180,392
Petroleum and Shale Spirits	gal.	7,797,286	22,301	7,819,587	503,061	4,994	508,055
Kerosene and the Like	gal.	9,074,871	6,650	9,081,521	467,291	907	468,198
Solar and Light Diesel Oils	gal.	617,365	3,323,056	3,940,421	31,604	197,263	228,867
Furnace, Heavy Diesel, etc. Oils	gal.	2,139,677	68,514	2,208,191	96,751	5,133	101,884
Lubricating Oil	gal.	1,425,136	391,364	1,816,500	256,239	147,500	403,759
Other	gal.	4,230,483	737	4,231,220	204,672	213	204,885
Other Oils, Fats and Waxes .....	....	....	....	....	27,600	180,989	208,589
Total, Class IX. ....	....	....	....	....	8,817,841	631,902	9,449,743
<i>Class X.—Pigments, Paints and Varnishes.</i>							
Colour Pigments	cwt.	4,028	6,125	10,153	43,926	72,395	116,321
Paints—							
Water Paints in Powder Form	cwt.	....	1,440	1,440	....	9,124	9,124
Oil Paints, other than Undercoats	gal.	14,271	....	14,271	....	29,966	29,966
Undercoats	gal.	24,676	....	24,676	....	51,283	51,283
Emulsion Paints	gal.	(a) {	38,163	420 {	67,687	408,141	408,141
Other	gal.	102,103	....	102,103	....	258,785	258,785
Varnishes and Lacquers	gal.	478	21,727	22,205	840	36,189	37,029
Other Products	gal.	....	....	....	1,242	141,341	142,583
Total, Class X. ....	....	....	....	....	46,428	666,770	713,198
<i>Class XI.—Rocks, Minerals (including Ores and Concentrates) and Hydrocarbons in Solid or Semi-solid Form.</i>							
Coal	ton	....	43,498	43,498	....	364,265	364,265
Coke	ton	545	1,190	1,735	8,954	17,214	26,168
Asphalt, Bitumen, Tar and Pitch	cwt.	984	16,613	17,597	1,856	31,167	33,023
Asbestos	cwt.	18,317	....	18,317	59,600	....	59,600
Sulphur	cwt.	436,265	1,034	437,299	276,059	2,570	278,629
Other Rocks, Minerals and Hydrocarbons .....	....	....	....	....	17,202	17,875	35,077
Total, Class XI. ....	....	....	....	....	363,671	433,091	796,762

(a) Not recorded separately.

No. 25.—Summary of Imports during the Six Months ended 31st December, 1956—continued.

Commodities.	Unit.	Quantity.			Value.		
		Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.
<i>Class XII.(A)—Metals and Metal Manufactures (except Electrical Appliances and Machinery).</i>					£	£	£
Iron and Steel—							
Pig Iron	cwt.	19,913	19,913	19,913	24,900	24,900	24,900
Ingots, Blooms, Slabs, Billets, etc.	cwt.	307,788	307,968	741	542,232	542,973	
Bar, Rod, Angles, Tees, Strip, etc.	cwt.	18,762	205,555	284,317	69,441	622,876	692,317
Plate and Sheet—							
Plain	cwt.	6,597	282,288	288,885	48,519	696,056	744,575
Galvanized—							
Flat	cwt.	20	57,025	57,045	95	234,030	234,125
Corrugated	cwt.	107,196	107,196	107,196	444,246	444,246	
Pipes and Tubes and Fittings therefor .....		.....	.....	98,517	596,525	695,042	
Structural (Girders, Beams, Joists, Columns, etc.)	cwt.	12,977	57,870	70,847	36,654	123,914	160,568
Other Iron and Steel	cwt.	24,236	174,912	199,148	122,066	389,408	511,474
Non-ferrous Metals (including Non-ferrous Alloys)	cwt.	452	32,938	33,390	8,535	568,456	576,991
Wire and Manufactures thereof .....		.....	.....	60,161	362,018	422,179	
Heating and Cooking Appliances (except Electrical) .....		.....	.....	18,800	120,202	139,002	
Other Metal Manufactures .....		.....	.....	518,291	1,988,751	2,507,042	
Motor Vehicles and Components (excluding Motor Cycles)—							
Completed Vehicles	No.	434	1,496	1,930	230,834	1,468,715	1,699,549
Bodies	No.	31	3,731	3,762	9,177	1,043,137	1,052,314
Chassis	No.	840	1,786	2,626	255,678	585,698	841,376
Parts and Accessories .....		.....	.....	469,012	1,079,803	1,548,815	
Other Vehicles and Components .....		.....	.....	222,651	242,417	465,068	
Total, Class XII.(A) .....		.....	.....	2,169,172	11,133,384	13,302,556	
<i>Class XII.(B)—Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Electrical Appliances and Equipment not being Machinery.</i>							
Covered Electrical Cable and Wire .....		.....	.....	14,941	434,663	449,604	
Batteries .....		.....	12,765	410,279	423,044		
Electric Lamps and Tubes .....		.....	17,702	69,731	87,433		
Wireless (Radio) Equipment .....		.....	2,257	423,916	426,173		
Telephone and Telegraph Equipment .....		.....	168,399	231,723	400,122		
Heating and Cooking Appliances .....		.....	9,611	156,714	166,325		
Current Generating Machines .....		.....	159,178	26,970	186,148		
Electrical Motors .....		.....	32,829	58,920	91,749		
Other Electrical Equipment .....		.....	312,254	365,190	677,444		
Total, Class XII.(B) .....		.....	729,936	2,178,106	2,908,042		
<i>Class XII.(C)—Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical).</i>							
Internal Combustion Engines—							
Marine	No.	146	33	179	22,010	10,299	32,309
Petrol, Kerosene or Light Spirit Types	No.	200	522	722	10,598	26,483	37,081
Diesel and Other Heavy Oil Types	No.	167	297	464	68,309	43,127	111,436
Tractors	No.	486	96	582	706,367	405,903	1,112,270
Refrigerating Appliances	No.	30	8,139	8,169	21,201	1,053,504	1,074,705
Choppers, Mincers and Other Food Preparing Machines	No.	1,773	4,640	6,413	1,302	64,838	66,140
Floor Polishers and Vacuum Cleaners	No.	1,961	3,438	5,399	24,231	88,935	113,166
Clothes Washing Machines	No.	2	3,818	3,820	218	233,599	233,817
Agricultural Machinery .....		.....	.....	157,923	1,010,011	1,167,984	
Earth Working and Road Making Machinery .....		.....	.....	86,424	503,934	590,358	
Mining and Metallurgical Machinery .....		.....	.....	165,326	65,048	230,374	
Metal-working Machinery .....		.....	.....	40,604	85,788	126,392	
Welding Machines .....		.....	.....	1,604	54,688	56,292	
Wood-working Machines .....		.....	.....	11,728	39,480	51,208	
Cranes, Hoists and Other Lifting Machinery .....		.....	.....	10,138	174,423	184,561	
Pumps .....		.....	.....	21,142	121,069	142,211	
Other Machinery .....		.....	.....	1,186,457	1,130,986	2,317,443	
Total, Class XII.(C) .....		.....	2,535,582	5,112,115	7,647,697		

No. 25.—Summary of Imports during the Six Months ended 31st December, 1956—continued.

Commodities	Unit.	Quantity.			Value.		
		Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.
<i>Class XIII.(A)—Rubber and Rubber Manufactures (except Apparel).</i>					£	£	£
Hose, Rubber and Other (including Plastic)	....	....	....	....	8,478	126,925	135,403
Pneumatic Rubber Tyres and Tubes—							
Covers	No.	3,685	82,667	86,352	66,313	761,400	827,713
Tyres, Tubeless	No.	(a)	25,811	25,811	(a)	194,392	194,392
Tubes	....	....	....	....	3,980	78,868	82,848
Rubber Sheets and Strips	....	....	....	....	81	80,812	80,893
Other Rubber Manufactures	....	....	....	....	12,805	166,174	178,979
Total, Class XIII.(A)	....	....	....	....	91,657	1,408,571	1,500,228
<i>Class XIII.(B)—Leather, Leather Manufactures and Leather Substitutes (except Apparel).</i>							
Leather	....	....	....	....	154	72,321	72,475
Belting—Leather, Rubber and Composition	....	....	....	....	7,316	114,879	122,195
Leather Manufactures	....	....	....	....	333	17,842	18,175
Total, Class XIII.(B)	....	....	....	....	7,803	205,042	212,845
<i>Class XIV.—Wood and Wicker, Raw and Manufactured.</i>							
Timber	sup. ft.	5,088,167	411,267	5,499,434	177,409	(g) 45,003	222,412
Veneers and Plywood	sq. ft.	153,832	1,376,871	1,530,703	1,093	59,449	60,542
Furniture	....	....	....	....	4,258	29,930	34,188
Other Wood Manufactures	....	....	....	....	31,499	109,449	140,948
Total, Class XIV.	....	....	....	....	214,259	243,831	458,090
<i>Class XV.—Earthenware, Cement, China, Glass and Stoneware.</i>							
Abrasive Papers and Stones	....	....	....	....	5,137	62,521	67,058
Cement, Portland	cwt.	7,032	3,000	10,032	6,792	1,451	8,243
Crockery and Householdware (except Glass, Sanitary and Lavatory Articles)	....	....	....	....	106,897	70,155	177,052
Tiles, Wall and Floor	....	....	....	....	29,721	54,323	84,044
Glass	....	....	....	....	106,384	83,403	180,787
Glassware	....	....	....	....	55,124	148,721	203,845
Other Products	....	....	....	....	29,802	70,712	100,514
Total, Class XV.	....	....	....	....	339,857	491,286	831,143
<i>Class XVI.(A)—Pulp, Paper and Board.</i>							
Paper—							
Printing	cwt.	113,942	25,972	139,914	374,287	435,599	809,886
Wrapping	cwt.	8,457	28,675	37,132	65,595	224,466	290,061
Other	cwt.	13,495	15,215	28,710	84,420	(h) 135,397	219,817
Paper Boards	cwt.	1,981	21,979	23,960	13,225	114,681	127,906
Total, Class XVI.(A)	....	....	....	....	537,527	910,143	1,447,670
<i>Class XVI.(B)—Paper Manufactures and Stationery.</i>							
Bags and Other Containers	....	....	....	....	23	209,097	209,120
Advertising Matter	....	....	....	....	4,151	36,714	40,865
Magazines, Periodicals, Music and Printed Books	....	....	....	....	232,627	311,408	544,035
Printing and Stencilling Inks	lb.	4,851	449,381	454,232	1,131	34,535	35,666
Stationery	....	....	....	....	27,540	431,625	459,165
Other Paper Manufactures	....	....	....	....	9,078	233,495	242,573
Total, Class XVI.(B)	....	....	....	....	274,550	1,256,874	1,531,424
<i>Class XVII.—Sporting Material, Toys, Fancy Goods, Jewellery, and Time-pieces.</i>							
Sporting Material	....	....	....	....	11,426	138,714	150,140
Toys	....	....	....	....	72,627	299,326	371,953
Smokers' Requisites (other than Tobacco and Matches)	....	....	....	....	6,129	21,458	27,587
Fancy Goods, N.E.I. (i)	....	....	....	....	10,790	47,174	57,964
Jewellery	....	....	....	....	17,653	138,426	156,079
Watches and Clocks	....	....	....	....	36,861	86,609	123,470
Total, Class XVII.	....	....	....	....	155,486	731,707	887,193

(a) Not recorded separately.

(g) Includes dressed timber to value of £3,278 for which super footage is not recorded.

(h) Includes Paper Felt to value of £5,421 for which weight is not recorded.

(i) N.E.I. denotes not elsewhere included.

No. 25.—Summary of Imports during the Six Months ended 31st December, 1956—continued.

Commodities.	Unit.	Quantity.			Value.		
		Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.
<i>Class XVIII.—Optical, Surgical and Scientific Instruments and Appliances and Photographic Goods, N.E.I. (i)</i>	....	....	....	....	£ 136,602	£ 376,911	£ 513,513
<i>Class XIX.—Chemicals, Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Products, Essential Oils and Fertilizers.</i>							
Sodium Carbonates	cwt.	46	42,999	43,045	222	75,651	75,873
Sodium Hydroxide	cwt.	23	14,032	14,055	283	46,866	47,149
Drugs and Medicinal Preparations ....	....	....	....	....	34,120	845,428	879,548
Perfumery and Toilet Preparations ....	....	....	....	....	2,449	455,414	457,863
Soap and Substitutes therefor ....	....	....	....	....	9,323	545,407	554,730
Fertilizers—							
Ammonium Sulphate	cwt.	30,013	30,005	60,018	33,141	54,029	87,170
Rock Phosphates	cwt.	3,218,034	4	3,218,038	355,575	4	355,579
Other Fertilizers	cwt.	67,562	24,002	91,564	68,583	46,672	115,255
Glues and Prepared Adhesives ....	....	....	....	....	5,147	65,616	70,763
Insecticides and Disinfectants ....	....	....	....	....	969	115,018	115,987
Animal Washes and Dips and Weed Killers ....	....	....	....	....	....	117,256	117,256
Salt	cwt.	9,029	26,261	35,290	4,183	20,547	24,730
Yeast	lb.	287,546	287,546	287,546	....	32,176	32,176
Other Products ....	....	....	....	....	388,591	514,651	903,242
Total, Class XIX. ....	....	....	....	....	902,586	2,934,735	3,837,321
<i>Class XX.—Miscellaneous.</i>							
Explosives ....	....	....	....	....	15,292	588,202	603,494
Bags, Baskets, Boxes, Cases, Trunks and Wallets ....	....	....	....	....	9,897	159,890	169,787
Brushware ....	....	....	....	....	3,340	124,123	127,463
Curtains and Blinds and Parts (other than Textile) ....	....	....	....	....	....	63,922	63,922
Dressings and Polishes ....	....	....	....	....	97	76,263	76,360
Plastic Moulding Materials and Articles of Plastic, N.E.I. (i) ....	....	....	....	....	44,360	275,157	319,517
Wall and Ceiling Boards, other than Asbestos	sq. ft.	147,927	3,575,236	3,723,163	16,401	116,044	132,445
All Other Items ....	....	....	....	....	719,622	1,368,317	2,087,939
Total, Class XX. ....	....	....	....	....	809,009	2,771,918	3,580,927
<i>Class XXI.—Gold and Silver, Bullion and Specie; Bronze Specie</i> ....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
GRAND TOTAL, IMPORTS ....	....	....	....	....	21,175,885	48,562,924	69,738,809

(i) Denotes not elsewhere included.

No. 26.—Exports, being Ships' Stores, during the Six Months ended 31st December, 1956.

Commodities.	Oversea.		Interstate.		Total.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Meats—		£		£		£
Fresh or Preserved by cold process—						
Rabbits and Hares ... lb.	6,555	680	420	42	6,975	731
Other ... lb.	844,815	84,144	171,821	17,431	1,016,636	101,575
In airtight containers ... lb.	6,580	862	72	10	6,632	872
Bacon and Hams, except in airtight containers ... lb.	100,638	21,791	25,611	5,550	126,249	27,341
Other ... lb.	520	61	...	...	520	61
Milk and Cream, preserved ... lb.	10,941	1,689	846	103	11,787	1,792
Butter ... lb.	19,905	4,460	3,429	746	23,334	5,206
Margarine ... lb.	8,423	860	616	45	9,039	905
Cheese ... lb.	6,423	1,407	662	108	7,085	1,515
Eggs in shell ... doz.	78,790	20,691	8,845	2,145	87,635	22,836
Sea Foods—						
Fresh or Preserved by cold process ... lb.	115,088	18,384	7,086	1,262	122,174	19,646
Other ... lb.	2,179	419	168	26	2,347	445
Grain, prepared—						
Flour ... cwt.	2,085	4,652	39	74	2,124	4,726
Rice ... cwt.	303	1,506	2	9	305	1,515
Biscuits, Cake and Puddings ... lb.	480	72	5,560	759	6,040	831
Vegetables—						
Fresh or preserved by cold process—						
Onions ... cwt.	5	51	44	236	49	287
Potatoes ... cwt.	14,105	38,586	1,608	5,734	15,713	44,320
Other ... cwt.	...	34,798	...	3,484	...	38,282
In airtight containers ... lb.	3,126	393	1,807	191	4,933	584
Other ... lb.	...	...	157	26	157	26
Fruit—						
Fresh or Preserved by cold process ...	...	14,727	...	1,348	...	16,075
In airtight containers ... lb.	6,102	983	811	88	6,913	1,071
Other ... lb.	45,592	2,000	90	20	45,682	2,020
Jams and Jellies ... lb.	8,641	666	120	10	8,761	676
Sugar ... lb.	26,550	809	770	30	27,320	839
Coffee, Cocoa and Chocolate ... lb.	6,817	2,941	50	17	6,867	2,958
Tea ... lb.	895	331	679	219	1,574	550
Other Foodstuffs for human consumption ...	...	10,046	...	3,049	...	13,095
Fodder and other food for birds and animals ... cwt.	3,433	3,741	...	...	3,433	3,741
Alcoholic Beverages—						
Ale, Porter, Beer, etc. ... gallon	14,044	6,752	5,034	4,299	19,078	11,051
Spirits and Liqueurs ... gallon	6	64	...	...	6	64
Wine ... gallon	14,266	6,108	2	12	14,268	5,120
Tobacco ... lb.	...	...	210	348	210	348
Cigarettes ... lb.	1,695	1,727	518	1,172	2,213	2,899
Cordage and Twine ...	...	747	...	...	...	747
Oils—						
Fuel for Aircraft—						
Gasoline ... gallon	153,891	34,395	...	...	153,891	34,395
Other ... gallon	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bunker Oil for Ships ... gallon	49,906,150	2,304,623	2,967,671	158,935	52,873,821	2,463,558
Other ... gallon	161,404	37,614	300	41	161,704	37,655
Paints and Colours ... gallon	4,354	8,480	15	45	4,369	8,525
Coal ... Ton	647	6,174	1,373	14,102	2,020	20,276
Dunnage ...	...	...	143	...	...	143
Soap ... lb.	8,169	535	2,296	158	10,465	693
All Other Ships' Stores ...	...	(a) 160,395	...	2,002	...	163,397
Total ...	...	2,839,516	...	223,876	...	3,063,392

(a) Includes £132,358 miscellaneous Ships' Stores valued at less than £50 for any one entry.

No. 27.—Summary of Exports (a) during the Six Months ended 31st December, 1956.

Commodities.	Unit.	Quantity.			Value.		
		Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.
<i>Class I.—Foodstuffs of Animal Origin.</i>					£	£	£
Meats, Poultry and Game—							
Preserved by Cold Process :							
Beef and Veal lb.	8,228,047	79,168	8,307,215	518,742	20,850	539,592	
Lamb lb.	5,439,392	68,855	5,508,247	469,145	8,469	477,614	
Mutton lb.	2,649,086	174,874	2,823,960	116,412	9,273	125,685	
Pork lb.	123,222	624,808	748,025	24,401	121,903	146,304	
Poultry lb.	170,023	46,074	216,097	34,246	9,638	43,884	
Rabbit lb.	244,272	12,894	257,166	27,651	1,454	29,105	
Preserved in Containers lb.	735,939	57,957	793,896	78,028	10,663	88,691	
Bacon and Hams lb.	93,817	762,494	856,311	20,519	172,854	193,373	
Sausage Casings .... .... ....	....	....	....	37,931	42,531	80,462	
Milk and Cream, Condensed and Concentrated (not dried) lb.	3,930,793	13,138	3,943,931	306,678	1,256	307,934	
Butter lb.	41,990	143,568	185,558	6,660	31,275	37,935	
Eggs in Shell doz.	1,123,430	5,805	1,129,235	262,989	1,522	264,511	
Eggs not in Shell lb.	498,036	....	498,036	61,245	....	61,245	
Honey lb.	1,852,320	481	1,852,801	122,318	70	122,388	
Fish—							
Preserved by Cold Process :							
Crayfish Tails lb.	655,470	13,784	669,254	310,073	3,090	313,163	
Other Fish lb.	4,131	91,611	95,742	915	12,655	13,570	
Preserved in Containers lb.	5,960	834,356	840,316	1,127	112,109	113,236	
Meat Meal for Animals (includes Whale Meal) cwt.	10,391	20,597	31,288	43,547	70,913	114,460	
Other Foodstuffs of Animal Origin .... .... ....	....	....	....	116,379	28,007	144,386	
Total, Class I. .... .... ....	....	....	....	2,559,006	658,532	3,217,538	
<i>Class II.—Foodstuffs of Vegetable Origin.</i>							
Wheat bush.	33,736,827	2,037	33,738,864	18,916,098	1,703	18,917,801	
Barley bush.	592,301	....	592,301	260,400	....	260,400	
Oats bush.	2,780,792	56	2,780,848	1,058,414	35	1,058,449	
Flour (Plain, White) cental	1,145,123	7,016	1,152,139	1,574,482	11,975	1,588,457	
Fresh Vegetables—							
Onions cwt.	32	5,742	5,774	62	11,362	11,424	
Potatoes cwt.	....	86,608	86,608	....	247,391	247,391	
Tomatoes cental	2,734	29,069	32,703	13,689	139,966	153,655	
Other .... .... .... ....	....	....	....	67,176	17,287	84,463	
Fresh Fruits—							
Apples bush.	129,675	959	130,634	213,261	1,656	214,917	
Other .... .... .... ....	....	....	....	13,029	259	13,288	
Dried Fruits—							
Currants lb.	1,529,740	197,984	1,727,724	92,373	14,643	107,016	
Other lb.	....	9,985	9,985	....	1,141	1,141	
Fruit Juices (including Tomato) and Fruit Syrups gal.	17,464	26,436	43,900	12,243	18,757	31,000	
Confectionery lb.	....	873,934	873,934	....	118,182	118,182	
Fodders and Cereal By-products for Animals cwt.	186,540	7,511	194,051	210,140	12,046	222,186	
Other Foodstuffs of Vegetable Origin .... .... ....	....	....	....	134,475	49,916	184,391	
Total, Class II. .... .... ....	....	....	....	....	22,565,842	646,319	23,212,161
<i>Class III.—Spirituos and Alcoholic Liquors.</i>							
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider and Perry gal.	....	262,632	262,632	....	206,087	206,087	
Wine gal.	2,782	2,782	2,782	....	3,156	3,156	
Distilled Spirit Beverages pf. gal.	30	3,398	3,428	105	19,529	19,634	
Total, Class III. .... .... ....	....	....	....	....	105	228,772	228,877
<i>Class IV.—Tobacco, Cigarettes, Cigars and Snuff.</i>							
Tobacco—							
Unmanufactured lb.	....	641,388	641,388	....	344,816	344,816	
Manufactured lb.	....	1,931	1,931	....	2,061	2,061	
Cigarettes lb.	....	7,455	7,455	....	13,111	13,111	
Cigars lb.	....	1,172	1,172	....	3,148	3,148	
Snuff lb.	....	....	....	....	....	....
Total, Class IV. .... .... ....	....	....	....	....	....	363,136	363,136
<i>Class V.—Live Animals.</i>							
Cattle No.	2,546	....	2,546	94,056	....	94,056	
Pigs No.	430	....	430	9,533	....	9,533	
Sheep No.	63,437	....	63,437	222,564	....	222,564	
Other Animals .... .... ....	....	....	....	1,461	804	2,265	
Total, Class V. .... .... ....	....	....	....	....	327,614	804	328,418

(a) Excluding Ships' Stores.

No. 27.—Summary of Exports (a) during the Six Months ended 31st December, 1956—continued.

Commodities.	Unit.	Quantity.			Value.		
		Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.
<i>Class VI.—Animal Substances (Mainly unmanufactured), not Foodstuffs.</i>					£	£	£
Hides and Skins—							
Kangaroo	lb.	...	92,034	92,034	...	26,367	26,367
Rabbit	lb.	54,091	26,778	80,869	19,198	8,068	27,266
Cattle and Calf	lb.	513,890	938,493	1,452,383	27,059	81,886	108,945
Sheep and Lamb	lb.	4,910,281	69,436	4,979,717	847,025	11,471	858,496
Other Hides and Skins	lb.	17,572	26,374	43,946	1,574	1,590	3,164
Wool—							
Greasy	lb.	69,840,768	2,215,101	72,055,869	22,044,802	727,268	22,772,070
Scoured and Carbonised	lb.	8,997,079	38,611	9,035,690	3,649,316	18,019	3,667,335
Tops	lb.	1,760,244	318,774	2,079,018	1,108,400	186,946	1,295,346
Noils and Wastes	lb.	254,456	14,263	268,719	93,777	1,369	95,146
Pearlshell	cwt.	13,366	...	13,366	441,415	...	441,415
Other Animal Substances .....	...	...	...	...	17,148	4,162	21,310
Total, Class VI. ....	...	...	...	...	28,249,714	1,067,146	29,316,860
<i>Class VII.—Vegetable Substances and Fibres, Cork and Manufactures, and Synthetic Fibres.</i>							
Clover Seed	lb.	(b)	75,600	75,600	(b)	6,312	6,312
Flax Fibre	cwt.	(b)	4,563	4,563	(b)	79,104	79,104
Tanning Substances	cwt.	98,424	6,029	104,453	318,530	20,195	338,725
Other Substances .....	...	...	...	...	149	125,022	125,171
Total, Class VII. ....	...	...	...	...	318,679	230,633	549,312
<i>Class VIII.(A)—Yarns and Manufactured Fibres.</i>							
Apparel (Except Headwear, Footwear, Furs, Corsetry and Gloves):							
Headwear .....	...	...	...	...	711	143,555	144,266
Footwear .....	...	...	...	...	598	15,632	15,632
Other Apparel and Attire .....	...	...	...	...	731	111,202	111,800
Total, Class VIII.(C) ....	...	...	...	...	2,040	278,009	280,049
<i>Class IX.—Oils, Fats and Waxes.</i>							
Edible Tallow and Dripping	cwt.	1,982	111	2,093	9,604	668	10,272
Inedible Tallow	cwt.	44,418	1,522	45,940	179,898	4,317	184,215
Whale Oil	gal.	2,168,837	4,318	2,173,155	909,031	2,090	911,121
Petroleum and Shale Spirits	gal.	29,920	38,680,399	38,710,319	4,154	2,500,152	2,504,306
Kerosene and the like	gal.	3,081,615	5,668,399	8,750,014	174,567	346,146	520,713
Solar and Light Diesel Oils	gal.	2,001,864	2,001,864	...	...	118,844	118,844
Furnace, Heavy Diesel etc., Oils	gal.	27,046,840	82,287,551	109,334,391	1,428,751	3,313,992	4,742,743
Lubricating Oils	gal.	6,216,805	38,972	6,255,777	332,422	15,440	347,862
Other Oils, Fats and Waxes .....	...	...	...	...	27,563	29,658	57,221
Total, Class IX. ....	...	...	...	...	3,065,990	6,331,307	9,397,297
<i>Class X.—Pigments, Paints and Varnishes.</i>							
Iron Oxide Pigments	cwt.	7	2,635	2,642	144	3,874	4,018
Paints, Varnishes and Related Products .....	...	...	...	...	11,888	36,211	48,099
Other Pigments .....	...	...	...	...	...	6,250	6,250
Total, Class X. ....	...	...	...	...	12,032	46,335	58,367
<i>Class XI.—Rocks, Minerals (including Ores and Concentrates), and Hydrocarbons in Solid or Semi-solid Form.</i>							
Asbestos, Crude and Fibre:							
Chrysotile	cwt.	404	8,178	8,582	1,545	13,816	15,361
Crocidolite	cwt.	78,115	1,354	79,469	412,382	7,787	420,169
Felspar	cwt.	...	20,885	20,885	...	9,834	9,834
Talc	cwt.	26,828	11,881	38,709	19,397	10,114	29,511
Metalliferous Ores and Concentrates:							
Iron	ton	101,738	101,738	...	...	100,890	100,890
Chromium	ton	4,392	4,392	...	...	55,362	55,362
Manganese	ton	17,243	17,243	...	...	212,466	212,466
Beryllium	cwt.	3,649	...	3,649	28,743	...	28,743
Lead (including Silver-Lead) and Zinc	cwt.	73,810	...	73,810	319,362	...	319,362
Tin	cwt.	544	1,240	1,784	17,450	32,925	50,375
Gold	cwt.	...	686	686	...	7,647	7,647
Other Rocks, Minerals and Hydrocarbons .....	...	...	...	...	80,429	32,359	121,788
Total, Class XI. ....	...	...	...	...	888,308	483,200	1,371,508

(a) Excluding ships' stores.

(b) Overseas Exports not recorded separately.

No. 27.—Summary of Exports (a) during the Six Months ended 31st December, 1956—continued.

Commodities.	Unit.	Quantity.			Value.		
		Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.
<i>Class XII.(A).—Metal and Metal Manufactures (except Electrical Appliances and Machinery)</i>					£	£	£
Pig and Ingot Iron	cwt.	105,452	2,217	107,669	141,458	2,837	144,295
Non-ferrous Scrap Metal	cwt.	239,603	10,132	249,735	82,425	108,606	191,031
Kitchenware and Cooking Utensils .....	....	....	....	....	412	69,519	69,931
Other Metals and Metal Manufactures .....	....	....	....	....	331,626	434,301	765,927
Total, Class XII.(A) .....	....	....	....	....	555,921	615,263	1,171,184
<i>Class XII.(B).—Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Electrical Appliances and Equipment not being Machinery.</i>							
Generators and Motors .....	....	....	....	....	83	76,024	76,107
Other Electrical Machinery and Equipment .....	....	....	....	....	13,475	60,652	74,127
Total, Class XII.(B) .....	....	....	....	....	13,558	136,676	150,234
<i>Class XII.(C).—Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical).</i>							
Tractors and Parts	No.	1	202	203	1,963	359,591	361,554
Agricultural .....	....	....	....	....	68	141,449	141,517
Earthworking and Mining .....	....	....	....	....	64,052	58,829	122,881
Woodworking .....	....	....	....	....	....	28,889	28,889
Other Machinery .....	....	....	....	....	31,289	374,460	405,749
Total, Class XII.(C) .....	....	....	....	....	97,372	963,218	1,060,590
<i>Class XIII.(A).—Rubber and Rubber Manufactures (except Apparel).</i>							
.....	....	....	....	....	2,004	20,721	22,725
<i>Class XIII.(B).—Leather, Leather Manufactures and Leather Substitutes (except Apparel).</i>							
Leather .....	....	....	....	....	39,624	86,448	126,072
Manufactures of Leather, N.E.I. (c) .....	....	....	....	....	339	4,527	4,866
Total, Class XIII.(B) .....	....	....	....	....	39,963	90,975	130,938
<i>Class XIV.—Wood and Wicker, Raw and Manufactured.</i>							
Sleepers	sup. ft.	2,886,167	4,482,758	7,368,925	180,146	233,629	413,775
Other Timber	sup. ft.	4,330,644	12,373,603	16,704,247	265,039	624,964	890,003
Wood Manufactures .....	....	....	....	....	2,789	112,861	115,650
Total, Class XIV. ....	....	....	....	....	447,974	971,454	1,419,428
<i>Class XV.—Earthenware, Cement, China, Glass and Stoneware.</i>							
Crockery and Householdware (except Glass and Sanitary and Lavatory Articles) .....	....	....	....	....	112	74,761	74,873
Other Products .....	....	....	....	....	22,086	45,849	67,935
Total, Class XV. ....	....	....	....	....	22,198	120,610	142,808
<i>Class XVI.(A).—Pulp, Paper and Board</i>							
.....	....	....	....	....	216	17,315	17,531
<i>Class XVI.(B).—Paper Manufactures and Stationery.</i>							
Stationery and Inks .....	....	....	....	....	227	39,077	39,304
Other Manufactures .....	....	....	....	....	39,791	13,588	53,379
Total, Class XVI.(B) .....	....	....	....	....	40,018	52,665	92,683
<i>Class XVII.—Sporting Material, Toys, Fancy Goods, Jewellery and Time-pieces</i> .....	....	....	....	....	4,108	22,401	26,509
<i>Class XVIII.—Optical, Surgical and Scientific Instruments and Appliances and Photographic Goods, N.E.I. (c)</i>	....	....	....	....	12,280	21,038	33,318

(a) Excluding Ships' Stores.

(c) Denotes "Not Elsewhere Included".

No. 27.—Summary of Exports (a) during the Six Months ended 31st December, 1956—continued.

Commodities.	Unit.	Quantity.			Value.		
		Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.
<i>Class XIX.—Chemicals, Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Products, Essential Oils and Fertilizers.</i>							
Flavouring Essences	932	29,356	30,288
Drugs and Medicinal Preparations	1,756	42,433	44,189
Essential Oils	14,460	17,057	31,517
Perfumery and Toilet Preparations (except Soaps)	20,158	8,363	28,521
Other Products	5,167	108,710	113,877
Total, Class XIX.	42,473	205,919	248,392
<i>Class XX.—Miscellaneous.</i>							
Brushware	50	21,624	21,674
Stoppers for Bottles	38,351	38,351
Other Products	361,922	211,100	573,022
Total, Class XX.	361,972	271,075	633,047
<i>Class XXI.—Gold and Silver Bullion and Specie; Bronze Specie.</i>							
Gold—Bar, Dust, Ingot and Sheet	fine oz.	...	424,820	424,820	...	6,657,473	6,657,473
Silver—Bar, Dust, Ingot and Sheet	fine oz.	94,719	2,092	96,811	38,736	826	39,562
Specie (d)—Gold, Silver and Bronze	3,515	(d)	3,515
Total, Class XXI.	42,251	6,658,299	6,700,550
GRAND TOTAL, EXPORTS	59,687,255	20,726,914	80,414,169

(a) Excluding Ships' Stores.

(d) Interstate Exports not recorded.

No. 28.—Value of Imports and Exports, Oversea and Interstate, at the Several Ports of Western Australia.

Ports, etc.	Year ended 30th June, 1956.		Six Months ended 31st December, 1956.					
	Value of Trade.		Value of Imports.			Value of Exports.‡		
	Imports.	Exports.‡	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.
Fremantle† }	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Perth	98,657,458	91,291,977	20,763,217	27,705,857	48,469,074	50,181,286	11,653,029	61,834,315
Albany	772,052	3,745,848	156,161	282,457	438,618	3,100,523	110,401	3,210,924
Broome	29,405	333,294	5,990	—	5,990	281,408	—	281,408
Bunbury	319,650	3,577,708	136,307	52,052	188,359	2,602,612	496,431	3,099,043
Busselton	—	461,249	—	—	—	—	198,312	198,312
Carnarvon	18,190	(b) 1,073,076	15,471	—	15,471	877,365	385	877,750
Derby	9,590	75,117	1,723	—	1,723	108,377	—	108,377
Esperance	362,455	57	—	299,481	299,481	—	—	—
Geraldton	135,572	4,472,537	97,016	52	97,068	4,787,933	205,912	4,993,845
Onslow	2,504	18,367	—	130	130	33,173	—	33,173
Point Samson	—	—	—	—	—	—	183	183
Port Hedland	—	172,115	—	—	—	103,047	59,490	162,537
Wyndham	115	1,005,379	—	—	—	451,047	—	451,047
Yampi	88,453	468,347	—	32,863	32,863	—	101,135	101,135
By Overland(a)	35,062,221	8,976,727	—	20,190,032	20,190,032	—	8,125,485	8,125,485
Total	135,457,665	115,671,798	21,175,885	48,562,924	69,738,809	62,526,771	20,950,790	83,477,561

† Includes Kwinana formerly shown separately.
Imports and Exports by Parcel Post and Air included under Fremantle-Perth.

‡ Including Ships' Stores. (a) Oversea
(b) Includes value of whale oil shipped from Point Cloates.

V.—CUSTOMS AND EXCISE COLLECTIONS.

No. 29.—Gross Customs, Excise, and other Collections in Western Australia.

Stations.	Twelve Months ended 30th June, 1956.				Six Months ended 31st December, 1956.			
	Customs.	Excise.	Other.	Total.	Customs.	Excise.	Other.	Total.
Fremantle (a) }	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Perth	4,253,120	11,685,426	238,821	16,177,367	1,573,785	7,205,641	109,875	8,889,301
Albany	1,122	197,221	281	198,624	533	130,456	166	131,155
Bunbury	91	132	30	253	77	—	43	120
Esperance	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Geraldton	873	163,286	22	164,181	1,379	97,919	13	99,311
Onslow	—	—	—	—	—	—	37	3,210
Other	5,768	—	26	5,794	3,173	—	—	—
Total	4,260,974	12,046,065	239,180	16,546,219	1,578,947	7,434,016	110,134	9,123,097

(a) Includes Kwinana formerly shown separately.

VI.—LAND SETTLEMENT.

No. 30.—Land Settlement as on the 31st December, 1956.

Particulars.	Area.	Area.
I.—Absolutely Alienated :— Area sold by public auction or other forms of direct sale or otherwise alienated up to 31st December, 1956	acres.	acres.
.....	.....	25,464,718
II.—In Process of Alienation on 31st December, 1956 :—		
Free Homestead Farms	362,954	
Conditional Purchase	10,445,168	
Selections under the Agricultural Lands Purchase Act	307,323	
Grazing Land	1,659,820	
Town and Suburban Lots	1,964	
Crown Grants of Reserves	74,973	
		12,852,202
Total Area alienated or in process of alienation on 31st December, 1956 .....	.....	38,316,920
III.—Leases or Licenses in Force on 31st December, 1956 :—		
Issued by Lands Department :		
Pastoral Leases	207,453,706	
Special Leases	2,534,244	
Leases of Reserves	690,417	
Residential Lots	4,650	
Perpetual Leases	1,144,496	
Issued by Mines Department :		
Gold Mining Leases †	20,891	
Mineral Leases ‡	42,335	
Miners' Homestead Leases	33,107	
Issued by Forests Department :		
Timber Permits (a)	3,874,898	
		215,798,684
IV.—Area Neither Alienated, in Process of Alienation, nor Leased .....	.....	370,473,196
Total Area of Western Australia .....	.....	624,588,800

† Exclusive of 908 acres on "Private Property." ‡ Exclusive of 2,135 acres on "Private Property."
(a) Includes Permits for cutting Wandoor for tanning purposes, amounting to 148,524 acres, but excludes Permits and Licenses for cutting timber and firewood in Goldfields areas.

No. 31—Principal Crown Lands Transactions.—Area of Crown Lands for which Applications have been approved by the Lands Department from 1952.

Period.	Conditional Alienation.					Leases and Licenses.			
	Condi-tional Purchases.	Free Homestead Farms.	Selections, Land Purchase Act.	Town Lots.	Total.	Pastoral Leases and Licenses.	Special Leases.	Miscel-laneous Leases.	Total.
1952	acres. 1,191,191	acres. 2,659	acres. 16,844	acres. 1,707	acres. 1,212,401	acres. 3,045,945	acres. 99,386	acres. 234,013	acres. 3,379,344
1953	1,060,638	320	13,808	907	1,675,673	2,292,734	71,729	30,040	2,394,503
1954	1,039,794	780	4,558	681	1,045,813	5,427,697	224,870	106,746	5,759,318
1955	796,157	....	11,672	845	808,674	8,431,745	139,828	41,948	8,613,521
1956	704,052	617	182	1,018	705,869	3,523,487	152,298	204,881	3,880,666
Mar. Qr.	261,857	485	....	299	262,641	1,957,654	46,414	128,808	2,132,876
June Qr.	151,277	....	....	471	151,748	630,407	67,683	55,957	754,047
Sept. Qr.	183,471	132	182	216	184,001	595,581	34,372	11,651	641,604
Dec. Qr.	107,447	....	....	32	107,479	339,845	3,829	8,465	352,139

VII.—PRODUCTION.

No. 32—Estimated Net Value of Western Australian Production, 1946–47 to 1955–56.

(Primary Industries are Calculated principally on F.O.B. and Metropolitan Market Prices less Marketing Costs and Value of Goods Consumed in process of Production. Manufacturing represents Value at Factory door less Value of Materials and Fuel used.)

Year.	Agricultural.	Pastoral and Trapping. †	Dairy, Poultry and Bee Farming.	Forestry and Fisheries.	Mining and Quarrying.	Total Primary.	Manufacturing.
1946–47	£ 11,206,815	£ 9,784,995	£ 2,400,264	£ 1,726,387	£ 5,056,897	£ 30,175,358	£ 15,748,476
1947–48	26,294,869	16,919,707	2,413,302	2,091,971	5,883,258	53,603,107	18,384,107
1948–49	21,875,307	21,060,131	2,896,608	2,386,172	5,872,734	54,090,950	21,473,887
1949–50	26,604,087	†26,638,298	3,325,405	2,599,237	6,696,793	65,863,820	26,044,026
1950–51	33,125,536	61,711,921	3,836,926	3,547,464	8,751,056	111,022,903	34,220,384
1951–52	31,027,295	†34,686,482	5,264,576	4,747,879	9,774,976	85,501,208	42,745,325
1952–53	29,977,019	†38,872,554	5,460,137	4,841,704	12,409,856	90,561,270	49,191,332
1953–54	28,118,846	†44,088,568	5,541,081	5,357,062	13,998,223	97,103,780	55,147,229
1954–55	23,482,564	†36,362,351	4,684,931	5,885,467	14,781,032	85,196,343	60,955,829
1955–56	35,968,744	†36,771,197	4,884,460	6,573,279	14,122,135	98,319,815	69,733,280

† Exclusive of amounts paid as interim distributions of profits under the Wool Disposals Plan, viz., £1,814,739 in 1949–50; £1,814,739 in 1951–52; £1,162,662 in 1952–53; £184,052 in 1953–54; £1,060,230 in 1954–55 and £898,545 in 1955–56.

VIII.—GOLD AND COAL MINING STATISTICS.

No. 33.—Gold Production of Western Australia from 1886, also amounts of Dividends paid.

Period.	Production of Gold.			Dividends Paid by Mining Companies.	
	Quantity.		Value (a).		
	Refined Outside the State. (b)	Refined at Perth Mint.			
Prior to 1952	Fine ounces. 11,546,264	Fine ounces. *42,543,958	Fine ounces. 54,090,222	£324,823,648	
1952	9,607	720,368	729,975	11,308,559	
1953	5,396	818,516	823,912	12,763,762	
1954	3,089	847,451	850,540	13,249,779	
1955	4,092	837,913	842,005	*13,156,329	
1956	2,331	810,049	812,380	12,693,427	
From 1886 to 31st December, 1956	11,570,779	46,578,255	58,149,034	387,995,504	
1956—				55,847,976	
January ....	....	....	66,388	1,037,308
February ....	....	252	94,356	1,478,716
March ....	....	96	66,848	1,045,993
April ....	....	650	59,766	943,985
May ....	....	757	61,538	62,295
June ....	....	62	63,508	973,355
July ....	....	55	69,828	993,286
August ....	....	88	72,215	1,091,927
September ....	....	88	62,116	72,303
October ....	....	....	62,204	1,129,742
November ....	....	240	64,594	971,946
December....	....	43	63,873	1,009,285
Total Twelve Months ended December	2,331	810,049	812,380	12,693,427	
				2,199,083	

(a) In Australian Currency, excluding additional premiums realised by the Gold Producers' Association, Ltd., on sales of Western Australian Gold, viz.—£539,358 distributed in 1952, £535,330 in 1953, £63,839 in 1954, £19,230 in 1955 and £12,154 in 1956, and also excluding Commonwealth Net Subsidy paid to producers in 1955, £199,129, and in 1956, £496,819. (b) Includes gold in ores and concentrates exported.

* Revised.

No. 34.—Coal Production of Western Australia, from 1898.

Period.	Annual Production.		Monthly Production.		
	Quantity.	Value. (a)	1956—	tons.	tons.
	tons.	£			
Prior to 1952	22,264,387	18,793,882	January	11,111	October
1952	830,461	2,457,296	February	78,308	November....
1953	886,182	3,073,073	March	75,730	December....
1954	1,018,343	3,588,818	April	68,175	
1955	903,792	3,089,311	May	80,300	
1956	830,007	2,797,506	June	76,432	
Total for All Years	26,733,172	33,792,887	July	79,743	
			August	84,817	
			September	74,480	

(a) Represents value at Pit-head.

IX.—LIVE STOCK AND WOOL PRODUCTION.

No. 35.—Number of Live Stock in Western Australia on the 31st March, 1952 to 1956, and Wool Production during each Year ended 31st March.

Date.	Horses.	Cattle.			Sheep.	Pigs.	Year ended 31st March.	Wool Production (a)
		Dairy Cattle.	Beef Cattle.	Total.				
31st March—	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	Year ended 31st March.	lb.
1952	53,347	230,469	621,065	851,534	12,187,752	86,224	1952	120,401,000
1953	50,241	233,869	612,392	846,261	12,474,672	76,195	1953	128,148,000
1954	48,770	229,516	600,178	829,694	13,087,108	100,912	1954	134,442,000
1955	46,886	228,245	623,329	860,574	13,411,282	107,039	1955	129,662,000
1956	45,491	223,584	673,313	896,897	14,128,168	99,097	1956	156,454,000

(a) Includes shorn wool, dead wool, fellmongered wool and wool on skins exported.

X.—AGRICULTURE.

No. 36.—Cropping, Clearing, etc., 1948–49 to 1955–56.

Season.	Land Cropped, Cleared, etc.					
	Under Crop. (a)	Under Established Pastures.	Newly cleared and prepared for next season.	In fallow.	Other, pre- viously cropped, now used for grazing, etc.	Total
1948–49 ...	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
1949–50 ...	4,102,348	2,788,913	389,104	2,205,076	6,435,689	15,901,130
1950–51 ...	4,292,730	3,027,706	466,171	2,291,611	6,477,254	16,555,472
1951–52 ...	4,532,756	3,589,598	535,483	2,234,854	5,966,658	16,859,006
1952–53 ...	4,507,924	4,011,469	582,004	2,041,470	6,545,139	17,688,006
1953–54 ...	4,636,654	4,266,919	630,110	1,906,285	7,202,797	18,642,765
1954–55 ...	4,477,102	4,527,188	730,291	1,912,794	8,132,113	19,779,488
1955–56 ...	5,042,856	4,747,333	634,744	1,815,095	8,439,051	20,670,129
	5,233,501	5,384,321	743,565	1,711,361	8,391,593	21,464,341

(a) Excludes Meadow Hay.

No. 37.—Areas under various kinds of Crops in Western Australia, 1948–49 to 1956–57.

Season.	Principal Grain Crops.			Hay (all kinds).	Po- tatoes.	To- bacco.	To- matoes.	Or- chards.	Vine- yards.	Other Crops.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.							
1948–49 ...	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
1949–50 ...	2,867,517	531,638	64,205	226,779	6,344	620	1,340	22,585	10,014	471,843
1950–51 ...	2,894,020	584,603	67,965	216,320	6,895	661	1,328	22,744	9,876	577,389
1951–52 ...	3,185,389	585,701	59,114	176,990	6,780	967	1,351	22,013	9,258	589,915
1952–53 ...	3,094,536	656,559	56,574	173,855	6,885	1,229	996	21,719	9,358	658,481
1953–54 ...	2,999,475	832,170	106,061	227,082	8,079	1,525	978	21,492	9,233	600,084
1954–55 ...	2,885,114	733,122	209,291	219,171	8,068	1,434	899	21,542	9,202	529,731
1955–56 ...	2,979,151	873,588	259,688	289,329	7,563	1,418	1,037	21,475	9,015	659,195
1956–57 †	2,889,585	1,090,901	336,966	269,439	6,826	1,235	1,047	21,943	9,107	687,830
	2,700,000	1,200,000	401,000	\$300,000	....	....	....	....	....	....

† Forecast.

§ Wheaten and Oaten only.

No. 38.—Yield of Principal Crops, 1948–49 to 1955–56.

Season.	Principal Grain Crops.			Hay (all kinds).	Po- tatoes.	To- bacco.	To- matoes.	Apples.	Dried Vine Fruits (Currants, Raisins, etc.).	Wine. (†)
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.							
1948–49 ...	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	cwt.	tons.	bushels.	tons.	gallons.
1949–50 ...	36,250,000	6,998,295	981,426	277,329	39,516	5,312	6,979	1,667,426	3,244	643,767
1950–51 ...	38,500,000	7,267,965	967,815	272,052	39,459	5,632	7,152	1,116,886	1,974	528,242
1951–52 ...	49,900,000	7,913,973	924,741	226,703	43,887	8,677	8,248	1,225,639	2,950	670,687
1952–53 ...	40,000,000	7,689,222	695,085	211,629	49,930	9,638	5,693	1,127,733	2,913	812,214
1953–54 ...	35,458,000	10,439,880	1,742,376	290,296	52,759	9,538	6,660	1,650,634	2,763	730,982
1954–55 ...	39,700,000	9,590,643	2,733,177	293,936	53,708	8,144	6,634	1,170,030	2,543	747,148
1955–56 ...	34,300,000	9,584,559	2,804,706	305,052	43,565	8,959	7,351	1,704,635	2,322	838,797
1956–57 †	53,250,000	16,515,679	4,653,050	383,784	42,079	6,441	7,812	1,516,231	*2,558	787,627
	31,600,000	13,500,000	4,500,000	\$260,000	....	....	....	....	....	....

‡ Includes Distillation Wine, 274,915 gallons for 1955–56.

† Forecast.

§ Wheaten and Oaten only.

* Revised

No. 39.—Average Yield per Acre of Principal Crops, 1948–49 to 1956–57.

Season.	Principal Grain Crops.			Hay (all kinds).	Potatoes.	Tobacco.	Tomatoes.	Apples.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.					
1948–49 ...	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	cwt.	tons.	bushels.
1949–50 ...	12.64	13.16	15.29	1.22	6.23	8.6	5.2	138.5
1950–51 ...	13.30	12.43	14.24	1.26	5.72	8.5	5.4	92.3
1951–52 ...	15.66	13.51	15.64	1.28	6.47	9.0	6.1	108.2
1952–53 ...	12.93	11.71	12.29	1.22	7.25	7.8	5.7	101.8
1953–54 ...	11.82	12.55	16.29	1.23	6.53	6.3	6.8	150.2
1954–55 ...	13.76	13.08	13.06	1.34	6.66	5.7	7.4	105.0
1955–56 ...	11.51	10.97	10.80	1.05	5.76	6.3	7.1	153.1
1956–57 †	18.43	15.14	13.81	1.42	6.18	5.2	7.5	134.8
	11.70	11.25	11.22	\$0.87	....	....	....	....

† Forecast.

§ Wheaten and Oaten only.

XI.—FACTORY STATISTICS.

(Exclusive of Mines.)

No. 40A.—Annual Factory Production, 1950-51 to 1954-55.

Commodity	Unit.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.	1954-55.
Acids—						
Acetic ...	cwt.	6,737	2,161	5,085	3,524	3,975
Hydrochloric ...	cwt.	1,138	1,109	1,244	1,377	1,394
Nitric ...	ton	19	25	20	11	12
Sulphuric ...	ton	148,197	150,335	142,339	148,166	168,660
Aerated Waters	gal.	3,405,896	3,576,856	3,299,562	3,503,029	4,000,423
Bacon and Ham	lb.	7,969,883	8,243,124	8,272,455	7,722,949	7,427,758
Bags—Paper	£	118,605	185,014	167,876	195,401	213,372
Bark—Ground	ton	1,174	943	1,092	1,153	808
Bath Heaters—Solid Fuel	No.	11,704	8,974	7,197	10,398	9,007
Beer and Stout	gal.	16,478,979	17,433,390	17,783,571	17,844,069	17,410,951
Boots and Shoes	pair	556,360	579,006	476,279	524,614	415,767
Boxes—						
Cardboard—Other	£	83,921	106,298	138,181	172,361	199,592
Wooden—Butter	No.	155,844	162,427	155,824	73,070	31,389
Bran	ton (2,000 lb.)	47,377	48,837	49,283	41,793	37,640
Bread (2 lb. loaf)	No.	45,864,989	48,277,461	50,737,046	52,667,286	52,815,251
Bricks (Standard Size)—						
Clay ...	'000	64,628	72,417	82,521	96,174	106,672
Cement ...	'000	2,684	4,467	4,357	5,066	8,740
Butter	lb.	15,224,913	15,020,018	14,516,018	13,757,468	16,005,099
Cakes, Pastry, Pies and Puddings	£	558,445	717,271	784,441	798,271	891,396
Cardigans, Pullover (All Types)	dozen	8,026	6,868	8,196	10,304	12,284
Cases—Fruit (including Shooks)	No.	2,114,111	2,366,805	3,063,324	2,828,401	2,659,010
Cement (Portland)	ton	72,075	74,680	97,418	125,466	141,690
Cheese	lb.	1,675,238	1,397,265	2,004,514	2,699,531	2,426,524
Cigarette Papers	'000 leaves	478,984	495,880	483,828	453,370	497,470
Cigarettes	lb.	257,239	270,834	478,868	580,551	459,970
Cigars	lb.	5,815	4,834	5,191	4,995	4,879
Coats—Sports—Men's	No.	9,869	10,589	9,291	8,776	7,767
Coke (including Coke Breeze)	ton	28,217	30,689	23,930	21,111	22,068
Confectionery (not Chocolate)	lb.	3,582,333	3,879,947	3,887,845	3,451,985	3,824,736
Cordials and Syrups	gal.	168,729	201,598	214,043	220,446	268,133
Cycles	No.	9,004	8,859	7,037	8,407	7,777
Electricity Generated	'000 K.W.H.	469,914	529,701	568,677	626,851	702,272
Enamels	gal.	37,974	35,127	35,867	47,543	39,084
Fence Posts and Doppers	ton	16	11	1,067	4,828	
Fibrous Plaster Sheets	sq. yd.	2,067,752	2,574,632	2,436,220	2,348,624	2,517,204
Flour—						
Ordinary ...	ton (2,000 lb.)	217,345	221,846	224,330	187,958	165,767
Selfraising ...	cwt.	110,359	122,948	89,518	89,000	96,948
Gas (Town)	'000 cub. ft.	1,392,023	1,429,602	1,443,304	1,442,802	1,447,705
Ice	ton	51,586	52,418	46,281	40,528	35,399
Iron—Pig Iron	ton	9,047	11,087	10,280	10,515	11,243
Jams	lb.	1,355,779	1,285,968	1,119,212	733,451	597,451
Jelly Crystals	lb.	724,003	556,519	436,690	644,979	858,363
Leather—						
For sale by weight ...	lb.	3,394,619	3,582,434	3,195,256	3,032,434	2,927,524
For sale by measurement ...	sq. ft.	1,852,110	1,983,040	1,899,099	2,114,220	1,757,815
Lime (Quicklime)	ton	20,121	22,480	25,384	22,594	25,505
Macaroni, Spaghetti, and Vermicelli	cwt.	14,448	14,380	16,804	12,656	22,381
Margarine	lb.	281,457	609,873	1,408,584	1,214,080	1,236,256
Mattresses—						
Woven Wire, Link Mesh and Spring (excluding Wire Stretchers) ...	No.	30,687	31,753	27,419	27,980	32,924
Soft Filled ...	No.	61,272	50,635	44,574	44,721	41,751
Inner Spring ...	No.	11,612	9,251	12,615	20,448	21,775
Meat—Canned	lb.	2,633,980	3,949,911	4,193,834	4,066,807	4,230,395
Methanol	gal.	42,995	55,272	52,116	37,093	46,237
Nails	ton	757	691	679	884	941
Oil—Whale	ton	2,583	9,438	11,088	11,284	10,539
Packers' Cans, Canisters, and Containers	£	417,533	649,669	677,731	656,178	780,331
Paints—Ready Mixed (excluding Water Paints)	gal.	187,887	163,839	144,689	201,214	225,399
Pearl Barley	cwt.	2,745	1,123	2,572	3,042	2,641
Perambulators	No.	2,160	1,521	1,222	1,066	750
Pickles and Chutneys	pint	455,630	446,398	523,722	673,583	751,512
Pipes—Agricultural	No.	16,006	68,121	139,816	57,942	153,996
Plaster of Paris	ton	28,855	21,804	23,654	21,950	22,485
Pollard	ton (2,000 lb.)	34,907	35,771	38,364	31,314	27,118
Pottery (Ornamental) ...	£	9,895	28,449	56,120	100,027	128,254
Pyjamas—Woven Fabric—						
Men's and Boys'	doz.	10,464	11,234	5,993	12,173	14,673
Women's and Girls'	doz.	1,657	1,900	1,437	1,955	2,811
Sandals	pair	173,623	159,803	123,793	125,593	140,508
Sauce (All types)	pint	878,970	972,229	830,499	692,397	654,566
Shirts (All types)—Men's and Boys'	doz.	52,401	57,525	37,307	51,334	50,234
Sleepers—Sawn	super feet	17,251,570	16,298,821	28,170,761	34,334,655	34,970,889
Slippers	pair	609,333	581,958	444,725	624,313	398,590
Soap and Soap Substitutes	cwt.	72,622	69,171	68,149	75,289	74,776
Stock and Poultry Foods—						
Meat and Bone Meal	cwt.	72,655	153,455	*178,464	*139,339	143,431
Other (Prepared)	ton (2,000 lb.)	21,375	25,381	33,042	43,976	42,832
Suits—Men's—						
3 piece	No.	17,525	11,394	8,605	5,321	3,816
2 piece	No.	29,371	23,357	24,904	25,901	22,247
Superphosphate	ton	416,997	421,511	417,727	428,314	472,787

No. 40A.—Annual Factory Production, 1950-51 to 1954-55.—*continued*

Commodity.	Unit.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.	1954-55.
Tallow (Raw and Refined)	cwt.	49,108	56,679	85,441	66,533	67,048
Tiles (Roofing)—Cement	'000	5,688	10,352	11,738	9,588	11,082
Timber—						
Sawn (incl. Sleepers Cases etc.) (a)	'000 sup. ft.	155,844	177,657	202,760	215,682	225,634
Hewn (b) *	'000 sup. ft.	19,396	21,157	20,011	24,990	25,698
Tobacco	lb.	181,411	209,606	143,360	79,648	21,665
Tractors (All types)	No.	663	444	337	534	385
Trousers—Men's—						
Sports	No.	75,367	61,952	52,492	55,361	50,503
Work	No.	123,559	129,477	106,960	156,051	147,150
Tyre Retreads	No.	49,323	67,153	69,233	73,187	89,837
Vinegar (including Bulk)	gal.	220,561	200,580	210,571	198,983	218,274
Wheelbarrows (Metal)	No.	888	537	3,187	3,588	1,045
Wine (Beverage)	gal.	317,760	331,226	381,963	368,625	372,283
Wool—Scoured	lb.	12,849,475	12,971,705	13,584,494	15,241,703	15,930,051

(a) Sawn from logs of local origin (b) Mainly produced by Agencies other than Industrial Establishments. * Revised.

No. 40B.—Monthly Factory Production.

(Figures subject to revision.)

Commodity.	Unit.	Months—1955.			Months—1956.			6 Months ended Dec.	
		October.	November.	December.	October.	November.	December.		
		1955.	1956.		1955.	1956.		1955.	
Acids—Acetic	cwt.	675	524	454	676	758	828	3,264	3,971
Hydrochloric	cwt.	130	149	104	145	116	88	800	723
Nitric	ton	1.4	1.5	1.7	3.2	2.8	2.8	9.0	16.9
Sulphuric	ton	11,801	12,848	15,912	17,733	13,697	11,972	86,042	81,746
Bacon and Ham	lb.	720,560	713,719	877,855	807,361	611,158	860,989	4,018,039	3,864,527
Bath Heaters—Solid Fuel	No.	440	448	240	587	249	371	4,089	2,935
Beer and Stout	gal.	1,432,728	1,744,038	2,085,804	1,600,776	1,815,750	1,650,078	8,897,148	8,395,110
Boots and Shoes	pair	29,272	28,441	24,940	32,926	29,338	25,936	170,510	182,229
Bricks (Standard Size)—Clay	'000	9,044	9,555	6,880	8,713	8,361	5,693	52,535	44,653
Cement	'000	331	358	275	223	203	119	2,109	1,121
Butter	lb.	2,486,467	2,369,729	1,919,769	2,671,394	2,290,405	1,768,327	12,548,631	12,788,065
Cardigans, Pullovers (all types)	doz.	546	731	843	561	843	650	4,563	4,396
Cheese	lb.	294,110	286,275	211,047	440,632	382,980	312,654	1,299,736	1,924,661
Cigarettes	lb.	61,620		26,106		118,163		51,731	
Cigars	lb.	533		923		994		1,833	
Coats—Sports-Men's	No.	440	559	703	478	527	450	3,305	3,083
Confectionery (not Chocolate)	lb.	305,427	362,181	306,777	418,756	446,535	380,189	1,990,785	2,206,258
Cycles	No.	728	839	1,007	634	809	999	4,222	3,653
Electricity, Generated	'000 K.W.H.	61,723	61,944	62,109	65,737	64,367	64,053	375,400	393,899
Enamels	gal.	8,901	5,460	4,759	4,556	6,150	5,411	46,816	34,453
Fibrous Plaster Sheets	sq. yd.	193,092	201,151	140,732	110,275	129,291	82,167	1,135,807	619,396
Gas (Town)	'000 cub. ft.	131,951	119,994	116,542	129,140	118,180	114,376	769,433	764,636
Jams	lb.	33,762	70,196	29,098	26,062	33,320	11,029	381,088	265,237
Lime (Quicklime)	ton	2,088	2,274	1,865	2,092	1,898	1,478	12,959	11,164
Margarine	lb.	117,600	108,528	36,736	115,136	111,323	71,008	630,784	744,240
Mattresses—Woven Wire, Link Mesh, etc. (b)	No.	4,210	1,607	3,655	3,104	974	984	15,234	13,203
Soft Filled	No.	3,030	3,853	3,939	3,141	3,209	3,217	21,051	18,465
Inner Spring	No.	1,776	1,929	1,963	2,403	2,124	1,710	11,551	12,222
Paints (ready mixed) Excluding Water Paints	gal.	20,531	20,949	17,626	20,652	26,494	16,742	108,954	113,478
Pearl Barley	cwt.	120	61	89	75	23	988	816	
Perambulators	No.	61	68	45	42	61	49	323	262
Sandals	pair	18,827	26,860	32,486	26,872	21,648	21,960	115,146	129,983
Sauce, Tomato	Imp. pint	102,554	93,668	95,249	78,330	53,939	43,602	493,795	405,069
Shirts (all types) Men's and Boys'	doz.	4,724	5,070	4,118	5,079	5,601	3,631	25,793	27,346
Slippers	pair	31,446	40,486	37,848	38,697	37,663	35,201	199,560	214,607
Soap and Soap Substitutes	cwt.	6,426	7,013	6,770	6,601	6,222	6,923	37,336	39,788
Suits—Men's-3 Piece	No.	203	250	165	189	102	1,465	1,125	
2 Piece	No.	1,949	2,440	1,916	2,071	2,180	1,533	12,204	10,825
Superphosphate	ton	33,388	36,014	37,009	49,606	37,600	30,928	232,543	220,880
Tiles (Roofing)—Cement	'000	764	717	525	478	352	256	4,645	2,455
Timber—Sawn	'000 super ft.	20,067	20,736	16,680	20,483	19,732	14,464	118,172	111,468
Tobacco	lb.	2,824		2,898		4,585		6,291	
Trousers—Men's—Sports	No.	3,269	4,086	4,626	5,905	6,079	5,514	23,949	31,363
Work	No.	10,866	9,642	6,796	10,948	14,715	6,378	52,034	79,036
Wool-Scoured	lb.	1,805,420	1,602,290	1,741,811	2,470,977	2,143,346	2,061,056	9,018,554	12,224,429

(a) Not available.

(b) Including Box Spring Mattresses and Mattresses incorporated in Folding Beds and Stretchers.

No. 41.—Summary of Factories, according to Industrial Classes, 1954-55.

Class of Industry.	Factories.	Land and Buildings.	Plant and Machinery.	Workers. (a)	Salaries and Wages. (b)	Output.	Net Production.
	No.	£	£	No.	£	£	£
I. Treatment of Non-Metalliferous Mine and Quarry Products	119	595,334	799,190	1,944	1,511,656	6,333,065	2,657,421
II. Bricks, Pottery, Glass, etc.	51	1,129,196	1,219,887	1,643	1,321,923	3,688,259	2,284,475
III. Chemicals, Dyes, Explosives, Paints, Oils, and Grease	59	4,127,504	26,753,033	2,315	2,044,481	19,795,994	4,618,580
IV. Industrial Metals, Machines, Implements, and Conveyances	1,381	8,445,162	5,274,092	18,726	13,586,572	39,387,318	21,257,106
V. Precious Metals, Jewellery, Plate	67	146,125	44,847	257	154,955	384,122	294,876
VI. Textile and Textile Goods (Inclusive of Knitted goods)	43	470,963	352,980	886	541,921	3,749,859	1,026,611
VII. Skins and Leather (not Clothing or Footwear)	33	192,681	187,781	668	469,337	2,136,184	797,589
VIII. Clothing (Except Knitted)	410	1,408,714	546,988	4,144	1,935,593	5,423,289	3,047,113
IX. Food, Drink, and Tobacco	604	6,307,677	4,913,662	6,496	4,523,743	36,285,117	9,346,878
X. Wood-working and Basket-ware	487	1,918,123	2,000,222	6,634	4,548,248	14,885,746	7,358,333
XI. Furniture, Bedding, etc.	171	695,166	254,940	1,461	850,207	3,287,004	1,488,713
XII. Stationery, Paper, Printing, Bookbinding, etc.	116	1,015,251	1,332,001	2,355	1,742,904	5,876,072	3,260,539
XIII. Rubber	31	253,159	145,687	210	154,679	543,465	302,656
XIV. Musical Instruments	6	31,415	2,490	27	16,589	24,695	22,600
XV. Miscellaneous Products	51	175,973	64,453	403	224,092	525,248	330,907
XVI. Heat, Light, and Power	98	3,326,470	11,065,952	1,145	1,110,931	7,259,008	2,861,432
Total, 1954-55	3,727	30,229,913	54,958,205	49,814	34,737,831	149,584,445	60,955,829
Total, 1953-54	3,523	24,738,938	28,194,983	47,459	31,590,439	134,586,811	55,147,229
Total, 1952-53	3,424	20,959,603	24,034,814	45,188	28,343,533	119,309,764	49,191,332
Total, 1951-52	3,267	16,747,352	20,715,509	45,097	25,384,517	106,571,588	42,745,325
Total, 1950-51	3,111	13,380,566	14,712,662	43,761	19,657,798	84,431,056	34,220,384
Total, 1949-50	3,023	11,055,002	11,456,767	40,738	15,293,241	63,978,037	26,044,026
Total, 1948-49	2,925	10,054,598	9,800,130	38,354	12,927,830	53,417,492	21,473,887
Total, 1947-48	2,788	9,482,660	9,189,910	35,967	10,735,647	45,625,796	18,384,197

(a) Including Particulars of Working Proprietors. (b) Excluding Value of Working Proprietors' Services.

No. 42.—Factory Employment in Age Groups, as at end of June, 1955.

(Exclusive of Working Proprietors.)

Class of Industry.	Under 16 Years.	16 Years.	17 Years.	18 Years.	19 Years.	20 Years.	21 Years and over.	Total.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
I. Treatment of Non-Metalliferous Mine and Quarry Products	29	48	38	34	32	26	1,691	1,898
II. Bricks, Pottery, Glass, etc.	14	24	22	20	17	16	1,508	1,621
III. Chemicals, Dyes, Explosives, Paints, Oils, and Grease	13	24	33	41	36	31	2,582	2,760
IV. Industrial Metals, Machines, Implements, and Conveyances	454	512	657	614	515	541	14,845	18,138
V. Precious Metals, Jewellery, Plate	2	5	11	6	7	5	166	202
VI. Textile and Textile Goods (Inclusive of Knitted goods)	22	39	37	38	37	20	673	866
VII. Skins and Leather (not Clothing or Footwear)	14	18	19	14	7	9	556	637
VIII. Clothing (Except Knitted)	183	225	245	183	194	144	2,267	3,441
IX. Food, Drink, and Tobacco	108	139	153	192	166	149	5,009	5,916
X. Wood-working and Basket-ware	148	140	133	149	137	130	5,585	6,422
XI. Furniture, Bedding, etc.	67	68	60	59	68	58	906	1,286
XII. Stationery, Paper, Printing, Bookbinding, etc.	114	105	111	75	74	80	1,802	2,361
XIII. Rubber	6	8	7	7	4	5	166	203
XIV. Musical Instruments	—	1	2	2	—	2	18	25
XV. Miscellaneous Products	17	21	19	17	18	17	267	376
XVI. Heat, Light, and Power	4	7	15	11	14	13	1,078	1,142
Total All Industries	1,195	1,384	1,562	1,462	1,326	1,246	39,119	47,294

XII.—RETAIL PRICES AND HOUSE RENTS.

No. 43.—Average Retail Prices* of Food and Groceries—Metropolitan Area.

Commodity.	Unit.	1955.				1956.			
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Quarter ended Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Quarter ended Dec.
<i>Groceries.</i>									
Bread	2 lb.	Pence. 14·50	Pence. 14·50	Pence. 14·50	Pence. 15·50	Pence. 15·50	Pence. 15·50	Pence. 15·50	Pence. 15·50
Flour—Ordinary	"	13·60	13·50	13·60	13·57	13·80	13·80	13·80	13·80
Self-raising	"	19·65	19·65	19·65	19·65	19·50	19·50	19·60	19·53
Tea	lb.	85·60	86·80	86·80	86·40	82·30	82·30	82·30	82·30
Sugar	"	9·00	9·00	9·00	9·00	10·00	10·00	10·00	10·00
Rice	"	11·60	11·65	11·65	11·63	11·75	11·95	12·05	11·92
Sago (Seed Tapioca)	"	15·20	15·60	15·60	15·47	23·17	26·75	26·75	25·56
Jam—Plum	1½ lb. tin	31·80	31·80	31·80	31·80	34·40	34·45	34·45	34·43
Golden Syrup	2 lb. tin	19·85	19·85	19·85	19·85	21·50	21·50	21·60	21·53
Oats—Flaked	lb.	11·36	11·14	11·14	11·21	9·29	9·50	9·79	9·53
Raisins	"	29·75	29·83	29·70	29·76	30·08	30·10	30·70	30·29
Currants	"	24·25	23·90	24·00	24·05	24·50	24·55	24·55	24·53
Apricots—Dried	"	60·38	59·00	60·50	59·96	61·00	61·50	61·50	61·33
Peaches—Canned	30 oz. tin	39·70	39·70	39·55	39·65	42·00	42·00	42·50	42·17
Pears—Canned	"	41·00	41·00	40·50	40·83	42·45	42·45	42·65	42·52
Potatoes	7 lb.	36·88	31·00	31·00	32·96	43·13	44·00	44·00	43·71
Onions—Brown	lb.	10·31	10·44	10·63	10·46	13·40	10·43	10·00	11·28
Soap—Household	"	19·30	19·30	19·30	19·30	19·26	19·26	19·26	19·26
Kerosene	qrt.	13·03	13·05	13·05	13·04	13·40	13·47	13·48	13·45
<i>Dairy Produce.</i>									
Butter—Choicest	lb.	52·90	52·90	52·90	52·90	54·70	54·70	54·70	54·70
Cheese	"	41·64	41·64	41·64	41·64	44·67	44·67	44·67	44·67
Eggs—Standard, New Laid	doz.	55·10	55·00	57·70	55·93	58·67	58·80	58·80	58·76
Bacon, Rashers	lb.	65·11	66·17	67·50	66·26	81·43	81·43	81·43	81·43
Milk—Condensed Sweetened (Full Cream)	14 oz. tin	22·45	22·35	22·55	22·45	22·55	22·45	22·70	22·57
Milk—Fresh	qrt.	17·00	17·00	17·00	17·00	18·00	18·00	18·00	18·00
<i>Meat.</i>									
Beef—Sirloin	lb.	.....	.....	.....	39·07	.....	.....	.....	40·26
" Rib, Rolled .....	"	.....	.....	.....	40·04	.....	.....	.....	40·44
" Steak—Rump .....	"	.....	.....	.....	55·13	.....	.....	.....	56·03
" Chuck .....	"	.....	.....	.....	35·27	.....	.....	.....	34·77
" Sausages .....	"	.....	.....	.....	21·65	.....	.....	.....	22·71
" (Corned)—Silverside .....	"	.....	.....	.....	37·83	.....	.....	.....	39·10
" Brisket .....	"	.....	.....	.....	29·57	.....	.....	.....	29·13
Mutton—Leg .....	"	.....	.....	.....	28·00	.....	.....	.....	26·98
" Forequarter .....	"	.....	.....	.....	17·33	.....	.....	.....	16·63
" Loin .....	"	.....	.....	.....	27·83	.....	.....	.....	26·85
" Chops—Loin .....	"	.....	.....	.....	27·83	.....	.....	.....	26·93
" Chops .....	"	.....	.....	.....	27·83	.....	.....	.....	27·07
Pork—Leg .....	"	.....	.....	.....	53·89	.....	.....	.....	59·55
" Loin .....	"	.....	.....	.....	53·89	.....	.....	.....	59·98
" Chops .....	"	.....	.....	.....	53·89	.....	.....	.....	60·25

* As at the 15th of the month.

No. 44.—Retail Price Index Numbers—Five Principal Towns.

Groups—Food and Groceries, Clothing, Miscellaneous and Rent.

(Base—Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities for 1923–27, = 1,000.)

Town.	Food and Groceries.		Clothing.		Miscellaneous.		Rent.	
	December Quarter.		December Quarter.		December Quarter.		December Quarter.	
	1955.	1956.	1955.	1956.	1955.	1956.	1955.	1956.
Metropolitan Area	2878	3017	3229	3265	2123	2272	1880	2013
Kalgoorlie-Boulder	3082	3240	3267	3279	2141	2293	1276	1316
Northam	2916	3150	3221	3259	2002	2158	1679	1705
Bunbury	2978	3136	3225	3241	1997	2139	1894	2091
Geraldton	2984	3209	3263	3310	2294	2408	2400	2408
Weighted Average— 5 Towns	2898	3043	3232	3266	2123	2271	1844	1967

No. 45.—Retail Price Index Numbers of Food and Groceries—31 Towns.

(Base—Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities for 1923-27 = 1,000.)

Note.—Conversion to the 1911 base may be effected by using the multiplier, 1.788.

Town.	1955.				1956.			
	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.
Metropolitan Area	2819	2905	2870	2878	2937	3000	3063	3017
Albany	2810	2939	2878	2888	2901	2959	2991	3025
Bridgetown	2834	2964	2963	2967	3012	3081	3102	
Bunbury	2866	3006	2981	2978	2980	3037	3101	3136
Buselton	2826	2929	2949	2914	2900	2966	3057	3039
Collie	2914	3008	2987	2996	3005	3056	3135	3154
Coolgardie	3027	3078	3076	3085	3101	3229	3281	3276
Cue	3048	3140	3116	3121	3121	3216	3314	3326
Dalwallinu	2751	2844	2852	2850	2855	2913	3000	3021
Esperance	3060	3116	3086	3104	3107	3151	3197	3268
Geraldton	2896	2987	2990	2984	2989	3059	3182	3209
Greenbushes	2795	2851	2882	2882	2876	2942	3078	3105
Jarrahdale	2766	2813	2808	2841	2854	2903	2955	3007
Kalgoorlie-Boulder	2981	3063	3070	3082	3080	3142	3216	3240
Katanning	2849	2942	2918	2940	2958	3036	3127	3151
Leonora-Gwalia	3085	3179	3173	3195	3289	3332	3416	3465
Manjimup	2862	2926	2927	2950	2964	3036	3131	3140
Meekatharra	3032	3097	3101	3103	3287	3327	3412	3451
Merredin	2937	3018	2980	2971	2944	3058	3118	3133
Moora	2859	2948	2952	2955	2946	3040	3093	3102
Mullewa	2932	3003	2984	2981	2994	3041	3185	3237
Narembeen	2835	2878	2900	2890	2966	3055	3130	3168
Narrogin	2828	2905	2925	2909	2916	2961	3035	3071
Norseman	2962	2023	3012	3024	3025	3068	3147	3208
Northam	2885	2967	2928	2916	2932	3022	3115	3150
Northampton	2896	2938	2955	2961	2985	3062	3108	3137
Pemberton	2877	2900	2906	2930	2935	3003	3051	3089
Southern Cross	3000	3079	3076	3086	3095	3175	3245	3260
Three Springs	2909	2951	2948	2975	3083	3120	3197	3248
Wyalkatchem	2990	3038	3030	3044	3022	3061	3138	3183
Yarloop	2919	2995	2992	3014	3015	3089	3155	3180

No. 46.—Housing (Rents of Four and Five-roomed Houses)—Five Principal Towns.

Variations in the Rents of four and five-roomed Houses in the five principal Western Australian towns are shown in the following table. The Index numbers are based on returns received from house agents for ordinary unfurnished dwellings, in a good state of repair with ordinary conveniences and occupying fair situations.

(Base—Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities for 1923-27 = 1,000.)

Period.	Western Australia.					Weighted Average for Five Towns.
	Metropolitan Area.	Kalgoorlie-Boulder.	Northam.	Bunbury.	Geraldton.	
1949	895	1095	955	1005	1080	917
1950	901	1126	967	1028	1094	926
1951	1065	1180	1182	1201	1309	1083
1952	1185	1212	1284	1311	1436	1197
1953	1205	1229	1342	1340	1476	1218
1954	1602	1254	1469	1597	1847	1580
1955	1843	1271	1645	1875	2181	1806
Quarters—1956—						
First	1920	1280	1679	1901	2374	1878
Second	1962	1287	1690	2091	2402	1920
Third	1992	1316	1705	2091	2394	1949
Fourth	2013	1316	1705	2091	2408	1967

No. 47.—Retail Price Index Numbers ("C" Series)—Five Principal Towns.

(Base—Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities for 1923-27 = 1,000.)

Period.	Western Australia.					Australia.
	Metropolitan Area.	Kalgoorlie-Boulder.	Northam.	Bunbury.	Geraldton.	
Year 1949	1410	1502	1420	1424	1475	1418
1950	1538	1636	1550	1559	1611	1547
1951	1860	1940	2180	1870	1956	1883
1952	2170	2262	2186	2195	2293	2180
1953	2295	2361	2315	2314	2421	2303
1954	2459	2426	2417	2447	2577	2458
1955	2554	2493	2508	2569	2702	2552
Quarters—1955—						
First	2514	2452	2481	2519	2643	2512
Second	2569	2497	2523	2586	2890	2565
Third	2561	2502	2511	2581	2702	2559
Fourth	2573	2519	2516	2589	2771	2573
Quarters—1956—						
First	2605	2515	2521	2588	2763	2599
Second	2646	2543	2565	2660	2802	2640
Third	2680	2579	2607	2687	2849	2675
Fourth	2690	2616	2644	2720	2885	2688

XIII.—WAGES.

No. 48.—State Basic Wage.

Quarterly Rates are shown only where there has been an adjustment from the previous quarter or from the preceding Annual Declaration.

Date of Operation.	Metropolitan Area (a).		South-West Land Division.		Goldfields Areas and other parts of State.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
*1-7-26 (b)	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
*1-7-29 (b)	4 5 0	2 5 11	4 5 0	2 5 11	4 5 0	2 5 11
*1-7-30 (b)	4 7 0	2 7 0	4 7 0	2 7 0	4 5 0	2 5 11
3-3-31 (b)	4 6 0	2 6 5	4 5 0	2 5 11	4 5 0	2 5 11
3-3-31 (b)	3 18 0	2 2 2	3 17 0	2 1 8	3 17 0	2 1 8
*1-7-31 (b)	3 18 0	2 2 2	3 17 0	2 1 8	3 17 0	2 1 8
18-8-31	3 18 0	2 2 2	3 16 0	2 1 0	3 17 0	2 1 8
5-11-31	3 13 6	1 19 8	3 14 6	2 0 3	3 17 0	2 1 8
29-2-32	3 12 0	1 18 11	3 14 6	2 0 3	3 17 0	2 1 8
3-5-32	3 12 0	1 18 11	3 13 6	1 19 8	3 17 0	2 1 8
*1-7-32	3 12 0	1 18 11	3 13 6	1 19 8	3 18 0	2 2 2
2-11-32	3 10 6	1 18 1	3 12 6	1 19 2	3 18 0	2 2 2
28-2-33	3 9 0	1 17 3	3 11 0	1 18 4	3 18 0	2 2 2
16-5-33	3 9 0	1 17 3	3 9 6	1 17 6	3 18 0	2 2 2
*1-7-33	3 8 0	1 16 9	3 9 6	1 17 6	3 17 6	2 1 10
3-8-33	3 9 3	1 17 5	3 9 6	1 17 6	3 17 6	2 1 10
1-5-34	3 9 3	1 17 5	3 9 6	1 17 6	3 17 6	2 2 10
*1-7-34	3 9 6	1 17 6	3 10 0	1 17 10	3 19 6	2 2 11
1-8-34	3 11 0	1 18 4	3 11 6	1 18 7	4 2 0	2 4 3
24-5-35	3 11 0	1 18 4	3 11 6	1 18 7	4 4 4	2 5 6
*1-7-35	3 10 6	1 18 1	3 11 2	1 18 5	4 4 4	2 5 6
4-11-35	3 10 6	1 18 1	3 11 2	1 18 5	4 5 7	2 6 3
*1-7-36	3 10 6	1 18 1	3 11 9	1 18 9	4 6 0	2 6 3
12-8-36	3 12 0	1 18 11	3 13 0	1 19 5	4 7 0	2 7 0
16-11-36	3 13 9	1 19 10	3 14 8	2 0 4	4 7 0	2 7 0
*1-7-37	3 13 9	1 19 10	3 14 8	2 0 4	4 7 0	2 7 0
26-7-37	3 14 11	2 0 5	3 15 10	2 0 11	4 7 0	2 7 0
*1-7-38	4 0 0	2 3 2	4 1 0	2 3 9	4 13 3	2 10 4
20-7-38	4 1 1	2 3 9	4 1 0	2 3 9	4 15 2	2 11 5
2-11-38	4 1 1	2 3 9	4 2 2	2 4 4	4 15 2	2 11 5
24-4-39	4 2 2	2 4 4	4 2 2	2 4 4	4 16 4	2 12 0
*1-7-39	4 2 2	2 4 4	4 3 1	2 4 10	4 16 4	2 12 0
*1-7-40	4 2 8	2 4 8	4 3 3	2 4 11	4 16 3	2 12 0
31-7-40	4 5 4	2 6 1	4 5 6	2 6 2	4 18 8	2 13 3
26-10-40	4 5 4	2 6 1	4 6 6	2 6 9	5 0 3	2 14 2
26-2-41	4 6 11	2 6 11	4 7 8	2 7 4	5 2 1	2 15 2
28-4-41	4 8 0	2 7 6	4 9 3	2 8 2	5 3 6	2 15 11
28-7-41	4 8 0	2 7 6	4 9 3	2 8 2	5 3 6	2 15 11
*1-7-42	4 10 5	2 8 10	4 10 10	2 9 1	5 5 7	2 17 0
8-8-42 (c)	4 14 11	2 11 3	4 14 10	2 11 3	5 5 7	2 17 0
Nov., 1942 (d)	4 17 9	2 12 9	4 17 1	2 12 5	5 5 7	2 17 0
1-3-43	4 18 9	2 13 4	4 18 1	2 13 0	5 5 7	2 17 0
*1-7-43	4 19 1	2 13 6	4 18 1	2 13 0	5 5 9	2 17 1
Aug., 1943 (d)	5 1 1	2 14 7	5 0 3	2 14 2	5 7 10	2 18 3
28-2-44	4 19 8	2 13 10	4 19 2	2 13 7	5 6 7	2 17 7
*1-7-44	4 19 11	2 13 11	4 19 8	2 13 10	5 7 1	2 17 10
26-10-44 (e)	4 19 11	2 13 11	5 0 9	2 14 5	5 7 1	2 17 10
28-2-45 (e)	4 19 11	2 13 11	4 19 7	2 13 9	5 7 1	2 17 10
*1-7-45	5 0 1	2 14 1	4 19 7	2 13 9	5 7 5	2 18 0
13-5-46 (e)	5 1 1	2 14 7	4 19 7	2 13 9	5 9 0	2 18 10
*1-7-46	5 1 1	2 14 7	5 0 6	2 14 3	5 9 0	2 18 10
22-7-46 (e)	5 2 1	2 15 1	5 1 6	2 14 10	5 9 0	2 18 10
4-2-47 (e)	5 2 1	2 15 1	5 1 6	2 14 10	5 10 4	2 19 7
26-2-47 (f)	5 7 1	2 17 10	5 6 6	2 17 6	5 15 4	3 2 8
*1-7-47	5 7 10	2 18 3	5 7 3	2 17 11	5 16 0	3 2 8
23-7-47	5 9 3	2 19 0	5 8 9	2 18 9	5 17 6	3 3 5
30-10-47	5 10 9	2 19 10	5 10 6	2 19 8	5 19 0	3 4 3
2-2-48	5 12 9	3 0 11	5 12 6	3 0 9	6 1 4	3 5 6
26-4-48 and *1-7-48	5 15 9	3 2 6	5 15 2	3 2 2	6 4 9	3 7 4
26-7-48	5 17 5	3 3 5	5 17 1	3 3 3	6 5 10	3 7 11
1-11-48	6 1 7	3 5 8	6 1 3	3 5 6	6 9 6	3 9 11
9-2-49	6 4 9	3 7 4	6 4 4	3 7 2	6 12 9	3 11 8
2-5-49 and *1-7-49	6 7 1	3 8 8	6 6 9	3 8 5	6 15 1	3 12 11
21-7-49	6 13 2	3 11 11	6 12 11	3 11 9	7 0 5	3 15 10
24-10-49	6 15 11	3 13 5	6 15 4	3 13 1	7 2 11	3 17 2
31-1-50	6 18 1	3 14 7	6 17 4	3 14 2	7 4 8	3 18 1
1-5-50	7 0 0	3 15 7	6 19 9	3 15 6	7 7 3	3 19 6
31-7-50	7 3 6	3 17 6	7 3 3	3 17 4	7 11 6	4 1 10
23-10-50	7 6 6	3 19 1	7 6 7	3 19 2	7 14 8	4 3 6
*18-12-50	8 6 6	4 14 1	8 6 7	4 14 2	8 14 8	4 18 6
29-1-51	8 12 11	4 17 9	8 12 11	4 17 9	9 0 5	5 1 9
30-4-51	9 4 3	5 4 1	9 4 1	5 4 1	9 8 5	5 6 3
23-7-51	9 16 8	5 11 9	9 15 9	5 10 8	10 1 6	5 13 8
+22-10-51	10 5 8	{ 5 16 3 }	10 4 7	{ 5 15 8 }	10 10 11	{ 5 18 11 }
29-1-52	10 14 1	6 19 2	10 13 8	6 18 11	10 19 8	7 2 9
28-4-52	11 3 10	7 5 6	11 2 5	7 4 7	11 8 10	7 8 9
28-7-52	11 12 3	7 11 0	11 12 5	7 11 1	11 18 0	7 14 8
27-10-52	11 18 6	7 15 0	11 19 2	7 15 6	12 4 2	7 18 9
27-1-53	11 18 6	7 15 0	12 0 6	7 16 4	12 5 9	7 19 9
27-4-53	12 1 10	7 17 2	12 3 0	7 17 11	12 7 9	8 1 0
27-7-53	12 6 6	8 0 3	12 6 0	7 19 11	12 9 4	8 2 1
9-8-55	12 12 5	8 4 1	12 11 8	8 3 7	12 14 1	8 5 2
31-1-56	12 13 8	8 4 11	12 13 11	8 5 0	12 15 11	8 6 4
23-4-56	12 17 1	8 7 1	12 13 11	8 5 0	12 15 11	8 6 4
23-7-56	13 1 6	8 10 0	12 18 10	8 8 3	12 18 10	8 8 3
29-10-56	13 5 2	8 12 4	13 2 11	8 10 11	13 2 8	8 10 9
25-1-57	13 6 3	8 13 1	13 6 5	8 13 2	13 6 7	8 13 3

* Annual Declaration.

† Relates to certain specified Goldfields Districts only.

(a) Defined as the

area comprised within a radius of 15 miles from G.P.O., Perth. (b) Rates for divisions shown not specifically declared by Court. (See letterpress in June, 1942, issue.) (c) Rates declared in Basic Wage Adjustment and Order No. 1 issued under the authority of National Security (Economic Organisation) Regulations.

(d) First pay period in month. (e) First pay period after date hereof. (f) Interim Basic Wage declaration authorised under amendment to National Security (Economic Organisation) Regulations, operative first pay period after date thereof.

† The Basic Wage for Females was declared by the Arbitration Court as 65 per cent. of the male rate, to operate as from the 1st December, 1951.

No. 49.—Minimum Rates of Wages payable under Awards of Courts of Arbitration and Industrial Agreements, in certain Industries and Occupations as at 31st December, 1956.

Rates relate to the Metropolitan Area except where otherwise stated, and are shown to the nearest farthing.

Industry and Occupation.	Wages.	Industry and Occupation.	Wages.
CLASS I.—TREATMENT OF METALLIFEROUS MINE AND QUARRY PRODUCTS—		CLASS III.—CHEMICALS, DYES, EXPLOSIVES, PAINTS, OILS, GREASE—	
Asbestos-Cement Goods : Sheet Machine driver, Magnani Machine Operator	£ s. d. Per week. 15 5 2 14 6 2 14 13 2 14 2 8 14 13 2	Oil Storemen : Weekly Hands Oil Refinery Workers : Leading Hand Plant Attendant Plant Attendant Class I " " " II. Storeman Assistant Storeman All Others Soap and Candle Factories : Glycerine Hand Soap Crutcher Tallow Man, and Soap Cutter Assistants to Soapmaker Wrappers and Packers (Adult Females)	£ s. d. Per week. 15 7 0 17 4 11 16 10 11 15 17 5 14 9 11 14 12 11 13 12 11 13 2 11 14 15 2 14 19 2 14 6 2 14 6 2 8 16 10
Moulder	{		
All others	{		
Cement Goods : Pipe-making : Moulder Wiredrawer General Hands Block-making : Mixer, Block Machine Operator Off-bearers and Stackers Brick-making Tile-making : Hand Presser, Ridge-maker Stripper Stacker Others Cement Works : Miller (Raw Mill) Assistant (Raw Mill) Burner Quarryman General Hands Fibrous Plaster, Plaster and Cement Goods : Bench Hand Fixer Cement Worker Plaster Caster Limehands : Loaders and Kiln Hands Quarrymen Dayfirers, Lime Baggers, and Crushers Kiln Repairs Powder Monkey Night Fifer CLASS II.—BRICKS, POTTERY, GLASS, ETC.— Brickworks (House Bricks) : Burner Clayhole Hands Machine Driver Taker-off and Assistant Setter Setter Moulder and Presser (Fancy Bricks) Brickworks (Fire-bricks) : Clayhole Hand Off Bearers Scintlers Burners Setters Mill-mixer Wheeler-out Wheeler for setting Glass : Glass Bevelling and Silvering Leadlight Glazing Pottery Workers (Pipe and Tile) : Burner Moulder, Presser, Trap Maker Junction Sticker Setters Others £ s. d. 14 14 2 14 12 2 14 1 2 14 5 2 14 9 2 14 3 2 13 16 8 15 0 2 14 5 2 16 3 2 14 3 2 13 19 2 15 0 2 16 17 8 16 15 2 14 11 2 15 6 2 13 14 2 13 17 2 14 0 2 14 7 8 14 3 2 3 1 10 14 16 8 15 2 8 14 11 2 15 2 8 14 11 2 15 7 2 14 11 2 15 7 2 15 7 2 14 11 2 14 11 2 14 11 2 14 11 2 15 2 8 15 7 2 14 11 2 14 17 8 14 11 2 16 12 8 16 12 8 15 0 2 14 15 2 14 7 8 14 7 2 14 12 2 13 12 8 14 12 2	Phosphate Rock Section Sulphur Section Superphosphate Section Sulphuric Acid Chamber Section Acid and Chemical Manufacturing Plant Section Mixed Manures Plant Section General Section Leadburners CLASS IV.—INDUSTRIAL METALS, MACHINES, IMPLEMENTS AND CONVEYANCES— State Engineering Works, Leighton : Fitters, Turners, Moulders Boiler-maker Pattern-makers Blacksmiths Carpenters Painters Labourers Agricultural Implement Making : Assemblers Agricultural Implement and/or Comb Fitters Serviceman Coachbuilding, etc. : Coachsmith, General Smith, Farrier, Wheelwright Smith, Spring Maker and/or Fitters on Road Vehicles, Bodymaker, Panel Beater Welders Wheelwright, Wheelmaker, Painter, Spray Painter, Trimmer, Grainer, Seat maker, Signwriter Machinists (all kinds) Sectional Trimmer Floorman, Metal Panel Fixer Assembler, Vyceman Storeman All others Engineering Foundries, etc. (Metropolitan) : Blacksmith, Fitter, Turner, etc. Patternmaker Toolmaker £ s. d. 14 6 8 14 12 8 14 15 8 15 1 8 14 6 8 15 5 8 14 9 8 15 1 8 14 15 8 14 6 8 15 1 8 14 6 8 14 18 8 18 0 11 17 0 2 17 0 2 18 2 8 18 10 2 (d)17 1 2 (b)16 17 5 13 5 2 14 10 2 15 0 2 15 10 2 15 15 2 15 10 2 17 0 2 17 0 2 16 12 8 16 2 8 16 5 2 15 10 2 15 2 8 14 12 8 14 9 2 13 5 2 14 9 2 17 0 2 18 2 8 17 15 2		
		(a) Includes Tool allowance 5s. Od.	(b) Includes Tool allowance 1s. 3d.

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CLASS IV.—INDUSTRIAL METALS, MACHINES, IMPLEMENTS AND CONVEYANCES—continued. Engineering Foundries, etc. (Metropolitan)—continued. Motor Mechanic	£ s. d. Per week. 16 17 2 15 2 8	CLASS IV.—INDUSTRIAL METALS, MACHINES, IMPLEMENTS AND CONVEYANCES—continued. Miscellaneous Section—continued Watchman	£ s. d. Per week. 13 9 0 16 1 0
Furnace-man	{ to 15 10 2 14 9 2	Sheet Metal Working : Bench Hands (First Class)	Per week. 17 0 2 15 15 2
Tradesman's Assistant	{ to 17 0 2 17 7 8	Bench Hands (Second Class)	14 15 2 15 12 8
Boiler-maker	{ to 14 9 2 17 0 2	Canister-makers	15 12 8
Moulder	{ to 17 0 2	Gas Meter-makers	
Electrical Fitter and/or Armature Winder	17 0 2	Stove and Range Fitters and Assemblers	
Electrical Installer	16 12 8	Shipbuilding, etc. (Fed. Award) (Gov.) : Shore Shipwrights (Permanent Employees)....	16 5 0 Per hour. 0 8 7½
Refrigeration Fitter	17 0 2	Shipwrights and Boat Builders (Casual) Wire and Wire-working : Wire-making :	Per week. 13 5 2
Engineering (Goldfields) Excluding Mining : Motor Mechanic	16 14 8	Galvaniser	14 5 2
Coppersmith, Blacksmith	16 17 8	Loom Weaver	13 17 2
Pattern-maker	18 0 2	Barbed Wire-maker	13 15 8
Engineering (Railways) : Fitter-in-Charge, Running Shed	Per shift. 3 17 5	Annealer	13 15 2
Fitter-in-Charge, Power House	3 14 0	Labourer	13 5 2
Pattern-maker	3 12 6	Gate and Fence-making : Metal Frame Scroll-makers	15 1 2
Blacksmith, Coppersmith	3 8 6	Spring Coil, Ring Lock "K" Fence and Fabric Machinists	15 1 2 14 15 2
Fitter, Brass-finisher, Turner	{ to 3 11 5 3 0 6	Machinist's Assistants	14 0 2
Furnaceman	{ to 3 6 6 3 8 0	Welders....	to 17 0 2
Slotter, Planer, Shaper, Borer, etc.	{ to 3 8 0	Iron Bedstead-making : Chill Fitter (who designs and models)	16 17 8
Boilermaker	{ to 3 11 5 3 8 0	Chill Fitter	14 19 2
Moulder	{ to 3 14 0	Head Furnaceman	14 19 2
Engineering (Sawmills)—South-West Land Division (a) : Pattern-maker	Per week. 18 0 5	Bedstead Welder and Caster....	14 14 2
First Class Welder	16 17 11	Others	14 9 2
Fitter, Turner, etc.	16 17 11	CLASS V.—PRECIOUS METALS, JEWELLERY, PLATE— Jewellers and Allied Trades :	
Driller	{ to 14 7 11	Watch-makers and Clock-makers	17 3 2
Electric Installer	16 10 5	Jewellers, Engravers, Setters	17 0 2
Tradesman's Assistant	14 6 11	CLASS VI.—TEXTILES AND TEXTILE GOODS (INCLUDING KNITTED GOODS)— Bag and Sack Workers :	
Engineering (Others)—South-West Land Division (a) : Fitter Turner, Electrical Fitter	16 17 11	Floor Hands (Female)	8 12 4
Motor Mechanic	16 14 11	Machinist and Hand Cutters (Females)	8 17 4
Tradesman's Assistant	14 6 11	Machinist (Male)	13 19 2
General Labourer	13 2 11	Factory Hands (Male)	13 15 2
Aircraft Workers (Federal Award) (b) : Repair, Maintenance and Servicing Section : Ground Engineers and/or Aircraft Mechanics :		Knitting : Males :	
Holding prescribed Certificates	{ 16 10 0 to 18 1 0	Mechanics	14 15 2
Holding no Certificate	{ 16 1 0 17 3 6	Machine Cutters	14 7 2
Pattern-maker	16 16 0	Hand Cutters	14 4 2
Tool-maker	14 1 0	Machine Attendants, Pressers	13 19 2
Machinist, Metal	{ to 16 1 0 14 16 0	Others	13 8 2
Machinist, Wood	{ to 16 1 0 14 16 0	Females	9 15 11
Sheet Metal Worker	{ to 16 1 0	Rope and Cordage : Rope-layer	14 7 2
Miscellaneous Section : Carpenter and Joiner (including tool allowance)	16 6 0	Rope-splicer	14 2 2
Electrical Fitter	16 1 0	Others	13 10 2
Painter	15 18 0	Females	13 18 2
Plumber	16 1 0	Textile Workers (Federal Award) : Combing Department :	8 12 4
Tradesman's Assistant	13 9 0	Assistant Foreman and/or overlooker	15 13 0
Tractor Driver	13 18 6	Other Males	14 0 0
Driver, Omnibus	14 7 0	to 14 9 0	9 8 6
		Females	to 10 4 6
		Drawing, Spinning, Twisting and Wind-ing : Assistant Foreman and/or overlooker	15 13 0
		Other Males	13 7 0
		to 14 9 0	9 8 6
		Females	to 10 4 6

(a) Outside 15-mile radius from G.P.O.

(b) Inclusive of loadings.

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CLASS VI.—TEXTILES AND TEXTILE GOODS (INCLUDING KNITTED GOODS)—continued.		CLASS VIII.—CLOTHING (EXCLUDING KNITTED)—continued.	
Warping Department :		Underclothing and Whitework :	
Assistant Foreman and/or overlooker	£ s. d. Per week	Males : Cutters	£ s. d.
Other Males	15 13 0 13 11 0 to	Others	15 10 0 12 14 0 to
Females	14 10 0 9 8 6 to	Females : Pressers (Iron over 8 lb.)	15 3 0 14 14 0 9 10 6 to
Weaving Department :		Journeywomen	11 0 6
Assistant Foreman and/or overlooker	16 3 0 13 7 0 to	Shirtmaking :	
Males	15 18 0 9 8 6 to	Males : Cutters	15 10 0 12 14 0 to
Females	10 18 6	Others	15 3 0 9 10 6 to
CLASS VII.—SKINS AND LEATHER (NOT CLOTHING OR FOOTWEAR)—Saddlery and Leather Working :		Females :	11 0 6
Journeyman	15 17 2 16 to 2	Tailoring : Men's (Order)	
Journeywoman	9 8 4	Males : Cutters	16 9 0
Females	8 15 10	Trimmer, Fitter-up, Machinist	14 17 0 12 14 0 to
Tanneries (Federal Award) (a) :		Others	15 11 0
Bark Bagger	14 9 6	Females : Cutters	16 9 0
Currier	16 4 6	Fitter-up, Shaper	14 17 0 9 10 0 to
Classer or Sorter	15 17 0	Journeywomen	13 1 6
Flesher (Hand)	15 10 0	Clothing, Men's (Ready-made) :	
Lime Jobber	14 17 6	Males : Cutters	15 10 0
Machinist (Splitting)	15 19 6 to	Tailors	15 6 0
Roller	16 4 6	Trimmers, Fitters-up, Machinist	14 17 0
Striker and Setter-out	15 0 6	Pressers, Seam Pressers	14 17 0
Shedman who applies Dressing to Leather (Wet)	14 18 6	Brushers, Folders	13 14 0
Unhairer, Scudder, etc.	14 14 6	Females : Cutters	15 10 0
Table Hands	14 19 6 14 13 6 14 17 6	Trimmers, Fitters-up	14 17 0 14 17 0 9 10 0 to
Woolsourcing :		Seam Pressers	11 16 6
Woolsourcer (in Charge of Machine)	15 16 2	Journeywomen	
All other Adults	15 5 2	Class IX.—FOOD, DRINK, AND TOBACCO—	
CLASS VIII.—CLOTHING (EXCLUDING KNITTED)—		Aerated Waters and Cordial Factories :	
Boots and Shoes :		Cordial Makers	15 5 2
Journeyman (Federal Award)	14 14 0	Motor Driver	15 7 2
Journeywoman (Federal Award)	10 6 6	Bottler in Charge of Generator	14 16 2
Repairer	15 15 2	Bottler	14 0 2
Dressmaking (Order) (Federal Award) :		Packer, Wirer, Tally Clerk	13 17 8
Males :		Others	13 5 2 to
Cutters	16 0 0	Baking :	
Tailors	15 6 0	Foreman-in-charge of 4 or more workers	13 17 8
Machinists	14 17 0	Foreman-in-charge of less than 4 workers	18 15 2
Pressers-off	14 17 0	Single Hand Baker, Doughmaker	18 8 8
Others	12 14 0 to	Baker doing Oven work, Board Hand	18 2 2
Females :		Jobber	17 10 2 Per hour.
Cutters	12 10 0	Bread-carter	0 9 2½
Pressers (Iron over 8 lb.)	14 17 0	Bread-carter (in charge motor vehicle)	14 11 8
Journeywomen	9 10 6 to	Biscuits and Cakes :	
Dressmaking (Ready-made):		Mixers	14 19 8
Males :		Ovensmen	15 3 2
Cutters	15 10 0	Brakesmen	14 17 8
Tailors	15 6 0	General Factory Hands	14 15 8
Machinist	14 17 0	Female Employees (Adults)	14 3 2
Pressers-off	14 17 0	Breweries (including Bottling) :	
Others	12 14 0 to	Motor Lorry Driver (without Attendant)	9 0 4
Females :		Cylinder Men	16 8 2
Cutters	15 11 0	Leading Hands	15 18 2
Pressers (Iron over 8 lb.)	11 0 6	Topmen	16 13 2
Journeywomen	14 17 0	Bottle-washers, Cask-washers, Packers,	15 18 2
	9 10 6 to	Sorters, Corkers, Wirers, Labourers,	
	11 0 6	etc.	15 13 2
		Cask Pitchers	15 16 2
		Engine-driver	16 12 9
		Firemen	15 19 9

(a) Inclusive of loadings.

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CLASS IX.—FOOD, DRINK, AND TOBACCO—continued.		CLASS IX.—FOOD, DRINK, AND TOBACCO—continued.	
Butchering and Slaughtering :		Fruit and Produce Markets :	
Shop Section : (a)		Head Storeman	15 11 8
General Butcher	15 17 8	Weekly Workers	15 6 5
Smallgoodsman	{ 15 17 8 to	Ham and Bacon Curing :	
First Shopman	16 7 8	Leading Man	16 15 2
Beef Carters' Section :	16 7 8	Scalders	15 17 8
Motors, under 25 cwt.	14 8 2	Assistants in Cellar	{ 15 17 8 to
Motors, 25 cwt. and over	{ 14 11 2 to	Trimmers	{ 15 1 2 to
Export Slaughtermen :	15 0 2	Ice-making and Cold Storage :	15 17 8
Pieceworkers (b)		Leading Hand	14 17 2
Group "A," Catching, Sticking, Shackling	0 12 5	Pullers, Stackers, Packers	14 10 2
Group "B," Skinning, etc.	6 13 6	Engine-driver	16 5 2
Composite Rate	7 5 11	Fireman	{ 14 8 2 to
Attendants on Slaughterman	{ 13 17 8 to	Ice-cream Making :	15 0 2
Abattoirs Section, Midland Junction :	15 4 2	Freezing Machine Operators	{ 14 6 8 to
Tally Slaughterman : (b)	Per 100. (Chain System).	Cold-room hands	{ 14 16 8 to
Sheep :	0 9 4	Cone and Wafer Machine hands	15 2 8
Group "A," Catching, Sticking, Shackling	5 0 8	Others	14 14 2
Group "B," Skinning, Gutting, etc.	Per head.	Females	14 4 2
Cattle	0 6 0	Jam, Fruit and Vegetable Canning :	8 19 10*
Other than Slaughterman :		Leading Hand—Jam, Sauce, Chutney, Pickle and Condiment making, Fruit Preserving, Peel-making, Vinegar brewing	14 17 2
Sheep :	Per week.	Syrup maker, Jam Boiler, Brine maker, Solderer, Retort Attendant	14 1 2
Classifier	16 5 2	General Hands	13 17 2
Spreader Inserters	16 0 2	Females	9 3 11
All Others	15 15 2	Macaroni Making :	
Cattle :		Worker drying Macaroni, Vermicelli	14 5 2
Knocker, Shackle-hoister, Bleeder, Index Man, Trimmer, Hide Checker, Dehorner	17 11 5	Paste makers	14 1 2
Viscera Separator	16 10 2	Press Operators	14 1 2
All Others	15 15 2	All Others	13 10 2
Butter Making :		Females	8 17 4
Buttermaker	15 11 2	Milk Processing :	
Grader, Cream	15 12 8	Tester and Grader	15 3 2
Tester, Cream	15 7 2	Pasteuriser	14 7 2
Assistant Buttermaker, Cutter	14 10 2	Man in Charge, Bottling Machine	14 1 2
Vacreator Operator	14 15 2	All other Adults	13 19 8
Dried Milk Operator	14 5 2	Females (General Hands)	8 12 4
Factory Hands	13 19 8	Pastry Cooking :	
Cheese Making :		Pastry-cook (Single hand)	16 6 2
Cheese Maker	15 11 2	Pastry-cooks	15 15 2
Assistant Cheese-maker	14 10 2	Female Pastry-cook	9 19 4
Cheese room hand	14 12 8	Sugar Refinery :	
Factory hand	13 19 8	Raw Sugar :	
Chaffeutting and Carting (c) :		Leading hand	15 7 8
Cool	14 9 11	Unstacking, cutting-in	14 13 8
Bag-sewer	14 8 5	Melting House :	
Engine-drivers	15 5 11	Washing fugals	15 5 8
Bale Lumper	14 6 11	Pan Floor :	
Others	14 0 5	Refined fugals	16 7 2
(From these rates £4 7s. 8d is deducted per week for keep.)		Boil-out fugals	15 5 8
Cigar, Cigarette and Tobacco Making :		Cleaner Attendants	15 2 8
Males (Adult)	{ 13 19 2 to	Refined Sugar :	
Females (Adult)	14 10 2	Leading Hand (Store Room)	15 4 8
Flour Mills (Federal Award) :	8 19 10	Stackers and Truckers (Store Room)	14 9 2
Foreman Miller	18 0 0	Drier and Grader	15 5 8
Shift Millers or Rollerman	{ 16 2 6 to	Packages :	
Fitters and Millwrights	18 0 0	Leading Hand	15 3 8
General Repairers	16 19 6	Men Washing and Drying	14 3 2
Wheat Samplers	15 13 0	Unspecified Workers	14 3 2
Smuttermen and Topmen	14 16 0		
Packermen	15 2 6		
Storehand	14 18 0		
Engine-drivers	{ 14 11 0 to	CLASS X.—WOOD-WORKING AND BASKETWARE—	
Firemen	16 0 0	Box and Case-making :	
Other Adults	14 9 0	Sawyer	{ 14 11 2 to
	13 13 0	Machinist	15 11 2
		Case-maker	14 7 2
		Labourer	13 5 2

(a) Not including allowance of 1s. or 2s. 6d. (depending upon work) for tools of trade or clothing. (b) Total daily earnings to be increased by 2s. 6d. (c) Excluding area within 15 miles from G.P.O. Includes allowance of 12s. 6d. per week.

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Industry and Occupation.	Wages.	Industry and Occupation.	Wages.
CLASS X.—WOOD - WORKING AND BASKETWARE—continued.		CLASS XII.—PAPER, STATIONERY, PRINTING, BOOK-BINDING, ETC.—	
Timber Workers (Sawmills) :		Cardboard Box and Carton-making—State Award :	
Blacksmith (Bush), or Farrier	15 18 11	Guillotine Cutters, Carton Setter	14 5 8
Carpenter (Bush)	15 3 11	Storemen or Packers	13 10 2
Carpenters and Joiners	16 13 11	Males (Adults)	13 9 2
Dockerman	{ 13 8 11 15 0 5	Females (Adults)	8 12 4
Engine-drivers :		Printing (Jobbing)—Federal Award :	
Locomotive	{ 16 1 11 16 12 5	Machine Compositor	17 3 6
Stationary	{ 14 17 11 15 7 11	Proof Reader and Reviser	16 8 6
Faller	15 14 5	Hand Compositor, Slugger, Bull Hand, Stone Hand, Electrotyper, Stereotyper, Letterpress Machinist, Rotary Machinist, Hand Indexer, Book-binder, Marbler, Blocker, Finisher, Paper Ruler, Guillotine Machine Operator, Man in Charge Envelope-making Machine	16 1 0
Fremen :		Rotary Machinist's Assistant	14 9 9
Locomotive	14 12 11	Envelope Angle Cutter	14 19 9
Stationary	{ 14 5 11 14 to	Envelope Cutter or Die Cutter, Cutter of Playing Cards, Surface Coater	13 17 6
Labourer	13 2 11	Calenderer, Water-proofer	13 14 0
Puller-out	{ 13 16 5 15 to	Brusher, Plate Roller	13 14 0
Saw-doctor	17 10 5	Storeman, Packer or Despatcher	13 14 0
Shaper	16 10 11	Printing (Jobbing)—State Award :	
Motor Lorry Driver	{ 14 15 5 16 to	Machine Operator (Linotype or Monotype)	16 12 2
Sawyers, Benchmen	{ 14 0 11 14 to	Hand Compositor, Stereotyper, Book-binder and Finisher, Paper Ruler, Calico Bag Printer, Lithographer, Letterpress Machinist, Paper Bag Machinist, Envelope Cutter and Guillotine Cutter	15 10 2
Spotters	{ 16 13 11 13 17 11	Females (Adults)	8 12 4
Swampers	{ 15 12 11 13 17 11	Printing (Newspapers) :	
Stacker	{ 14 17 11 13 15 11	Linotype Operators :	
Tractor Driver (Log Hauling)	14 3 11	Night	21 19 3
Timber Yards :	16 0 11	Day	21 4 3
Buzzer	{ 14 6 2 16 6 8	Linotype Mechanics :	
Motor Lorry Driver	{ 14 17 8 15 14 8	Night	19 4 1
Grader	13 18 8	Day	18 9 1
Moulding Machinist	{ 14 6 2 14 13 8	Flat-bed Machinists :	
Sawyers, Benchmen	{ 16 6 8 14 6 2	Night	20 15 11
Shapers, Grinders	{ 16 10 8 16 13 2	Day	20 0 11
Tenoner	{ 14 6 2 16 to	General Hands :	
Jointer	{ 16 6 8 14 6 2	Night	17 12 2
Undertaking :	{ 15 4 8 16 6 8	Day	16 17 2
Coffin-maker	16 6 2	CLASS XIII.—RUBBER—	
Groom, Trimmer	13 15 8	Tyre Retreading and Repairing :	
Cabinet-maker, Chair-maker(a)	16 19 2	Leading Hand	14 10 0
Wood-carver, Shaper and Upholsterer, French Polisher	16 17 8	Others	14 1 8
Wire Mattress-maker, Wicker-worker and Mattress-maker	15 8 8	CLASS XV.—MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS—	
Picture Frame-maker	14 15 2	Brushmaking :	
Labourer	{ 13 5 2 13 to	Male :	
	13 16 8	Hair Pan Hands, Brush Pan Hands, Bottle Brush Makers, Finishers, Millet Broom Makers, Ducors, Lacquerers	14 18 8
		All Others	13 5 2
		Female	8 17 4
		Dental Mechanics :	
		Dental Technician (Male)	17 0 2
		Dental Technician (Female)	10 7 11
		Optical Mechanics :	
		Optical Mechanics	16 7 8
		Leading Hands	{ 17 2 8 18 12 8
		Photographic Employees :	
		Males :	
		Studio	13 17 8
		Developing and Printing	13 13 2
		Females	8 12 4
		Radio Workers :	
		General Serviceman	17 0 2
		Workshop Serviceman	17 0 2
		Bench Assembler	14 10 2

(a) Including Tool Allowance.

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CLASS XVI.—HEAT, LIGHT AND POWER—		MISCELLANEOUS—continued.	
Electric Light Works :		Boarding and/or Lodging Houses and Service Flats (without Board and Lodging) :	
Turbine-Driver	Per week. 17 19 2	Cook (Male)	£ s. d. 14 5 2
Auxiliary Plant Attendant	16 3 2	Yardman	13 5 2
Fireman	15 19 2	Cook (Female)	{ 8 12 4 to
Greaser	14 17 8	Waitress	8 19 11
Boiler-cleaner	15 2 8	Housemaid, Pantrymaid	8 12 4
Engine or Plant Cleaner	14 7 2		8 12 4
Gas Works : (a)		Building Trades :	
Retort Operator-in-Charge	16 9 2	Carpenters, Joiners	£ s. d. 18 10 5
Ganger-in-Charge, Main Gang	15 17 8	Bricklayers, Rubble Wallers	18 7 5
Gas meter Maker or Repairer	15 15 2	Painters, Signwriters	18 6 8
Retort Operator (Shift work)	16 0 2	Stonemasons	18 5 5
Carburetted Water Gas Plant Operator	15 6 8	Plasterers	18 8 1
Maintenance Man	15 6 8	Plumbers	18 9 11
Service Layer	15 2 8	Labourer	{ 15 0 6 to
Main Layer or Caulker	15 2 8	Motor Wagon Driver	16 1 5
Stove Assemblers	14 7 8	25 cwt. or less	15 1 2
Assistants to—Service Layer	14 3 2	Over 25 cwt. and up to 3 tons	15 11 2
Men Emptying or filling Purifier	14 8 2	Over 3 and up to 6 tons	16 1 2
Labourers	13 5 2	Loaders, Yardmen, Horse and Motor Drivers' Assistants	13 19 2
MISCELLANEOUS—		Passenger Carrying :	
Pastoral (Federal Award) :		Omnibus Drivers +— Ordinary Vehicles	{ 15 15 2 to
Shearers with machines (not found) :	Per 100. 7 9 6	Articulated Vehicles	16 1 2
Flock Sheep	7 9 6	Taxi-car Drivers	16 14 2
Rams that have cut first two permanent teeth and for ram stags	14 19 0	Washers (night)	14 2 8
Stud Ewes (not special)	9 6 10	Fare Collectors (Female)	9 8 4
Double Fleeced Sheep	9 19 4		
Wool Presser (not found)	Per week. 25 17 1	Cemetery Employees :	
Shed hands (not found)	23 2 8	Grave Digger	18 17 8
Shearing Cooks (found)	26 9 9	Gardener	14 12 8
Station Hands (not found)	13 16 1	Maintenance Man	{ 13 16 2 to
Farm Workers Award (b) :			14 2 8
Adult Workers	13 8 11	Cleaning, etc. (Public Buildings) :	
Attendance and Service :		Caretaker (Male)	16 6 2
Barman, Barmaid (without Board and Lodging)	15 15 2	Cleaner (Male)	14 10 2
Clubs (without Board and Lodging) :		Cleaner (Female), Weekly Hand	{ 9 17 4 to
Cooks (Male)	14 0 2	Lift Attendant	10 0 4
Cooks (Female)	15 10 2	Window Cleaner	14 1 2
	9 19 10		14 16 8
	to	Clerical :	
Barman....	11 4 10	Wholesale and Retail Houses :	
Waiter, Steward	15 15 2	Clerk (Senior)	{ 17 0 2 14 4 8
Kitchenman, Pantryman	13 15 2	Clerk (Male)	{ 16 5 2 10 4 10
Waitress and other Female Workers	13 10 2	Clerk (Female)	{ to 10 14 4
	9 12 4		
Hotels, Hostels and Coffee Palaces (without Board) :		Diving (Marine) and Tending :	
Cooks (Male)	14 0 2	Divers (when Diving)	Per shift. 5 7 6½
	to	Divers (when not Diving)	Per week. 15 10 2
Cooks (Female)	15 10 2	Tenders (when Tending)	Per shift. 3 11 0½
	9 19 11	Tenders (when not Tending)	Per week. 14 7 8
	to		
Waiter	11 4 11	Dock, River and Harbour Works :	
Night Porter	13 15 2	Pile Driving :	
Hall Porter	14 0 2	Man in Charge	15 11 8
Waitress and other Female Workers	13 15 2	Others	{ 14 4 8 to
	9 12 5		14 10 2
	to	Drilling and Blasting Plant :	
Restaurants (without Board) :		Leading Hand	16 10 2
Cooks (Male)	14 0 2	Others	{ 14 4 8 to
	to		15 6 2
Cooks (Female)	15 5 2	Counter Hand (Female)	{ 14 4 8 to
	9 14 10	Waitress	15 11 8
	to		
Waiter	10 14 10		
Other Male Workers	13 15 2		
Counter Hand (Female)	13 10 2		
Waitress	9 12 4		
Other Female Workers	9 12 4		
	9 9 10		

(a) Rates exclude 3s. Industry Loading and 3s. Service Loading. (b) Subject to deduction for Board and Lodging, Adults £1 5s., per week.

+ If collecting fares 1s. 6d. per day extra.

No. 49.—Minimum Rates of Wages payable under Awards of Courts of Arbitration and Industrial Agreements in certain Industries and Occupations as at 31st December, 1956—continued.

Industry and Occupation.	Wages.	Industry and Occupation.	Wages.
MISCELLANEOUS—continued.		MISCELLANEOUS—continued.	
Miscellaneous :		Mining (Coal)—continued.	
Ganger	{ £ s. d. Per week. 15 11 8 to 16 10 2 14 4 8 to 14 9 8 14 8 2 to 15 10 2	Wheelers Tipplers Gantry and Screeman Surface Worker (Labourer) Unclassified Worker (Underground)	{ £ s. d. Per shift. 2 17 0 2 14 11 2 14 11 2 13 8 2 16 6½
Survey Hands			
Tar and Bitumen Workers :		Mining (Gold) : (d)	
Various classes of employees	{	General :	
Concrete Pile-driving Plant :		Rock-drill men {	3 6 0½ to 3 9 3½ 3 3 7½
Man in Charge	16 10 2	Hand Miners {	3 6 10½ to 3 9 9 3½ 3 1 3½
Topman	15 6 2	Shaft-timber Men {	3 9 9 3½ Mullockers, Truckers, Shovellers, etc. General Labourers (Surface)
Machine Man	14 17 8	{ 3 0 6½ 3 0 6½	
Dredge Employees :		Others {	3 11 9½
Ladberman	15 10 2		Per week.
Quartermaster	15 10 2	Engineering :	
Deckhand	15 5 2	Driller, Screwer, Motor Attendant Electrical Wireman, Lineman Pipe Fitter {	16 12 8 17 15 2 17 0 2
Winchman	15 15 2	Coppersmith, Blacksmith {	18 12 8 Fitter, Turner {
Assistant Winchman	15 10 2	Pattern-maker {	18 12 8 Oxy-acetylene and Electric Welder
Greaser	16 0 2		19 15 2 18 12 8
Fireman	15 15 2	Engine-driving, etc. :	
Steam Crane Drivers	15 13 8	Winding Engine-driver (Special Shaft)	Per shift. 4 1 9 3 9 7
Main Roads Board :		Winding Engine-driver (Other) {	3 14 9 3 6 10
Internal Combustion Roller Drivers :		Winch-driver {	3 8 2 Loco. Engine-driver {
10 tons and over	16 2 2	Stationary Steam Engine-drivers {	3 9 7 3 5 7
Under 10 tons	15 14 2	Fireman, Leading {	3 8 7 Fireman, Steam and Producer {
Motor Graders (Under 40 h.p.)	{ 16 2 8 to 16 7 8 16 18 8 17 3 8	Greasers, Cleaners {	3 5 4 3 2 6
Motor Graders (Over 40 h.p.)		Trimmers {	3 1 4 Boiler Cleaners {
Hairdressing :			3 6 0
Hairdresser (Male)	15 5 2	Motor Service Station Attendants :	Per week.
Hairdresser (Female)	10 12 4	Metropolitan {	13 10 2 South-West Land Division {
Hospital Employees (General Hospitals)(a):		Rest of State {	13 7 11 13 7 8
Males :			
Orderlies	{ 13 15 2 to 14 5 2 13 15 2 to 14 5 2	Municipal Employees (Perth) :	
Kitchenman		Sanitary Employees :	
Females :		Rubbish Tipmen {	14 3 8
Wardmaids, Kitchenmaids, etc.	8 19 10	Rubbish or Dust Collector {	14 3 8
Cook—First	9 17 4	Sanitary Pan Removers {	15 13 8
Cook—Other	9 12 4	Stage-hands, Trenchmen, Washers {	15 10 2
Hospital Employees (Private Hospitals)(b):		Attendants (Latrines) {	13 16 8
Males :		Motor Lorry Driver {	17 11 2 14 18 8
Orderly	13 15 2	Horse-drivers {	15 6 2 14 6 2
Kitchenman, Handyman	13 15 2	Stablemen {	15 1 2
Laundryman	14 0 2	Motor Lorry-drivers {	16 14 2 13 7 8
Cook	14 10 2	Sweepers, etc. {	14 3 8 13 18 8
Females :		Drainage Workers, etc. {	14 16 8
Cook	9 9 11		
Kitchenmaid	8 17 5		
Unregistered Nurses	{ 8 19 11 to 9 4 11	Nurses (Registered) :	
Registered Nurses (see Nurses' Award, page 46).		Government and Public Hospitals (e) :	
Laundry Employees :		Junior Sisters {	11 15 0
Male	13 19 2	Sisters (with 2 years' experience as Junior Sister) {	12 to 5 0
Female	8 13 11	Sister in Charge of Ward or Department {	12 10 0 13 5 0 13 10 0 14 5 0
Mining (Coal) :			
Miners	3 0 0 4		
Loaderman (Mechanical Units)	3 7 7		
Faceman, Shiftman (Mechanical Units)	3 4 0		
Pumpman (e)	2 19 7½		
Shiftman	3 0 0 4		

(a) If Board and Lodging provided £3 0s. 9d. per week to be deducted. (b) If Board provided £2 0s. 6d. to be deducted. If lodging provided £1 0s. 3d. to be deducted. (c) Eight hour shift including one hour overtime. (d) Rates include Industry Allowance of £1 15s. per week. (e) See note (a) on page 46.

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Industry and Occupation.	Wages.	Industry and Occupation.	Wages.
MISCELLANEOUS—continued.		MISCELLANEOUS—continued.	
Nurses (Registered) —continued.		Railways (Government)—continued.	
Government and Public Hospitals (a)	£ s. d.	Ganger	£ s. d.
Assistant Matrons	Per week. 15 0 0 to 16 18 0 15 0 0 to 21 0 0	Chainman	Per shift. 3 0 6 to 3 8 0 2 17 8
Matrons		Shop Assistants : Male	Per week. 15 6 8 10 2 4 15 6 8
Nurses (Registered) :		Female	
Private Hospitals :		Head Storeman, Head Despatch Hand	to 15 11 8
Sisters : "B" Class	11 2 4	Storeman	15 4 8
"A" Class	11 19 4	Canvasser	15 6 8
(Subject to deduction for Board £2 2s. 6d. and Lodging £1 1s. 3d.)		Tramways : Trolley Bus Drivers	15 15 2
Quarrymen :		Petrol Bus Driver	16 7 8 14 7 8
Spallers	14 13 8	Conductors	to 15 10 2
Man Barring Down	14 13 8	Drivers	15 10 2
Crusher-feeders	15 0 2	Car Builders	16 16 2
Machine Man	14 13 8	Linesmen	16 2 8
Powder Monkeys	15 8 8	Worker Polegang	14 7 8
Railways (Government) :	Per shift. 3 8 0 to 4 0 0 2 17 10	Track Repairer	14 7 8
Engine-drivers		Pitmen	15 2 8
Firemen	3 3 6	Waterside Workers (Federal Award) : Lumper (General Cargo)	Per hour. 0 9 10
Cleaner	2 15 10	Bulk Wheat—Machine Trimmer	0 11 4
Guard	3 2 0	Bagged Wheat	0 10 4
Porter	to 3 8 5 2 13 0	Wine and Spirit Warehouse Employees : Cellarman (Head)	Per week. 16 10 2
Shunter	2 19 9	Storeman	15 5 8
Motor Car and Lorry Drivers	2 19 9 to 3 5 0 2 16 5 3 10 7 3 0 3 to 3 4 3	Others	15 0 8
		Wool Stores : Head Classer and/or Man in Charge of Store	15 19 2
		Assistant Classer	17 0 2
		Assistant Storeman	16 7 2
		Wool Sorter	16 3 2
		Others	15 5 2

(a) Rates are for Metropolitan Area and include deductions for Board and Lodging (living-in rate), £2 17s. 5d. If employees are required to live out, Board and Lodging figure of 52 per cent. of the prevailing Basic Wage is added to the net figure for living-in rate. Outside that area the difference in Basic Wage is to be added. There are also district allowances for certain localities.

No. 50.—Minimum Rates of Wages payable to Apprentices, under Awards of Courts of Arbitration and Industrial Agreements in certain Trades as at 31st December, 1956.

Trade.	Weekly Wages.*	Trade.	Weekly Wages.*
Baking	£ s. d. £ s. d. 4 1 3 to 13 12 5	Painting (including Paper-hanging, Glazing, Decorating and Signwriting)	£ s. d. £ s. d. 3 19 7 to 13 5 2
Boltermaking	3 19 7 „ 13 5 2	Pastrycooking	3 19 7 „ 13 5 2
Bootmaking (Federal Award)	3 14 6 „ 12 14 0(a)	Plumbing	3 19 7 „ 13 5 2
Butchering	3 19 7 „ 13 5 2	Printing Trade— Job Printing (Federal Award)	3 12 0 „ 12 0 6(b)
Carpentering	3 19 7 „ 13 5 2	Job Printing (State Award)	3 19 7 „ 13 5 2
Coachbuilding	3 19 7 „ 13 5 2	Newspaper Printing (Linotype and Monoline, etc.)	6 13 8 „ 17 10 10
Engineering (Metal Trades)	3 19 7 „ 13 5 2	Saddlery— Males	3 19 7 „ 13 5 2
Furniture-making, etc.— Machining Branch, Glass Beveling, Silvering, Mat-tress-making, Wire-weaving, and all other Branches	3 19 7 „ 13 5 2(a)	Females	3 0 4 „ 8 19 4
Hairdressing (Men's)	3 19 7 „ 13 5 2	Saw Mill Engineering	3 18 11 „ 13 2 11
Hairdressing (Ladies')— Males	3 19 7 „ 13 5 2	Sheet-metal Working	3 19 7 „ 13 5 2
Females	2 10 0 „ 9 4 0	Tailoring (Order)—(Federal Males)	3 4 0 „ 12 10 6
Jewellery	3 19 7 „ 13 5 2(b)	Females	3 19 6 „ 8 19 0(c)
Moulding	3 19 7 „ 13 5 2	Timber Machining (Metropoli-tan)	3 19 6 „ 13 5 2
Optical Works	3 19 7 „ 13 5 2	Watchmaking	3 19 6 „ 13 5 2

* Range for five years' apprenticeship, unless otherwise shown. (a) Three to five years. (b) Six years.
(c) Four years.

XIV.—METEOROLOGICAL STATISTICS.

(Supplied by courtesy of the Deputy Director, Meteorological Services.)

No. 51.—Notes on the Rainfall and General Weather Condition in Western Australia during October, November and December and the Year 1956.

October.

Weather.—For most of the first week in October the weather chart showed an anticyclone centred off Cape Leeuwin and a depression over central Western Australia, so that there were south-west to south-east winds in the southern part of the State and north to north-westerlies in the tropics.

At the end of the first week a vigorous southern depression and associated cold front brought westerly gales to the lower south-west. As it passed away eastward during the next few days the following anticyclone maintained cool south-westerlies over southern districts and south-easterlies in the tropics.

On the 13th a cold front moving over the South-West Division brought long awaited general rains to the agricultural areas and a few lighter falls to the adjacent districts. The following anticyclone caused a rapid backing of winds throughout the State with resultant fine weather, and for the following week the main feature of the weather map was the anticyclone which covered most of the State.

During the second half of the month the most prevalent isobaric distribution was a low pressure over northern and central parts of the State with an anticyclonic system centred off Cape Leeuwin. This caused winds to be mainly north to north-west in the tropics, and south-east to south-west in the south-western half of the State.

Rainfall.—In most of the tropics no rain fell during the month, but a few scattered light falls of negligible value were reported, mainly from coastal districts. At Roebourne there was a surplus of 67 per cent. above the normal rainfall for the month, the total fall amounting to 5 points.

South of the tropics rainfall was below normal in most places, the exceptions being a large part of the Gascoyne Division, adjacent places in the North Coastal Subdivision, another area in the central wheat belt and a few places in the South-East and Eucla Divisions.

The surplus in the Gascoyne was due to good rains which were recorded on the last day of the month, when over an inch was received in some places. No rain was received in most of this Division earlier in the month.

In the wheat belt rain was anxiously awaited during the first week, as the two preceding months were amongst the worst on record in this area, and many crops were burning off. The promising depression which developed at the end of the first week gave disappointing rains, and as it passed away and the weather cleared prospects were grim. A few days later a cold front passing across the South-West Division gave moderate to good rains in most parts of the wheat belt and saved many crops from total failure. Although the rains were not very heavy, many districts received more on this day than they had during the preceding two months.

There were two more fairly general rains in this Division during the month but they were both much lighter than the rains of the 13th and the second one missed most of the North Coastal Subdivision. Luckily the northern half of this Subdivision received further light falls from the system which brought general rains to the Gascoyne on the last day of the month. The highest monthly total, amounting to a little over four inches, was recorded in the Walpole region.

Temperature.—Due to the prevalence of south-east to south-west winds, maximum temperatures were mainly below normal, except from the 17th to the 23rd when they were mostly above.

Wyndham provided a marked exception to this general picture ; at this centre the maximum exceeded the normal on all days but one, reaching the century on all but two days and was the hottest part of the State on 19 days. Marble Bar recorded the highest temperature for the month, 108 degrees on the 22nd and the next two days, but taken over the whole of the month it was considerably cooler than Wyndham.

Temperatures fell to freezing point on three days, the lowest being 28 degrees recorded at Lake Grace on the 14th. On the other two occasions temperatures of 32 degrees were reported from Wandering which was the coldest place in the State on 18 days.

Frost.—There were scattered frosts in the first half of the month and again towards the end of it, but they were not widespread.

Hail.—Reports of hail were received from places in the South-West Division on the 8th. At Denmark it was feared that the apple crop would be reduced by damage done to blossom.

Metropolitan Weather.

In Perth there were seven wet days, the total rain for the month being 99 points, a little over an inch below normal. This brought the total for the first ten months of the year to 3491 points, which is 130 points ahead of the normal fall for that period.

Maximum temperatures were below normal on 19 days, the highest for the month being 81.3 degrees, and the lowest 58.0 degrees. Minimum temperatures were also mainly below normal, the lowest for the month being 42.5 degrees on the 14th.

The mean wind speed of 8.6 m.p.h. was also well below normal, and gusts exceeded 40 m.p.h. on only two days. The highest for the month was 44 m.p.h. from the north-east on the 17th.

Light hail fell at the Weather Bureau on the 8th, and heavy hail in some suburbs, where lawns were covered, though no damage was reported.

November.

Weather.—During a large part of November the tropics and central parts of Western Australia were covered by a low pressure system, while anticyclones in the Indian Ocean and in the Bight influenced the western and eastern sections of the State. Southern depressions brought westerly winds to the agricultural districts at times, but they were mainly centred well south of the coast, so that the low pressure trough extending towards them from the inland depression was more noticeable than the southern centre.

As a result of this type of pressure distribution, tropical air was brought to the southern part of the State and there were many thunderstorms, some of which caused considerable damage. The worst of these storms occurred towards the middle of the month and again towards the end of it.

Rainfall.—In the tropics there were scattered light to moderate showers towards the end of the first week and again during the last week. Only a few falls of over an inch were reported, and at the end of the month totals were below normal in all but a few places. There were however isolated good falls, the best being 371 points on the 5th at Argyle Station and the next 209 points at Tableland, later in the month.

Less rain fell in the Fortescue than in other tropical divisions, and none at all was reported from the Onslow-Mardie region.

South of the tropics light falls were reported from many places on the 1st, mainly as a result of frontal activity on the last day of the preceding month.

On the 8th and 9th there were fairly general light showers of thunderstorm origin in the southern half of the State with a few isolated falls of over an inch. Thunderstorm rains occurred again on the 12th and 13th in the Gascoyne and northern Agricultural districts, and on the 14th in most of the South-Western and South-Eastern Divisions. These were heavier than the earlier falls and exceeded one inch in several places.

In the rest of the month there were fairly frequent showers in the South Coastal Subdivision and on the 17th they extended to most parts of the agricultural areas. From the 27th to the 30th there were general thunderstorm falls again in most parts of the South-Western and South-Eastern Divisions, as well as lighter and more scattered falls in the North-Eastern and Eucla Divisions.

Due to the frequency of storms in the southern half of the State, rainfall was above normal in most places. In all divisions there were deficiencies in a few places, and in the northern subtropics there were about equal numbers of centres with deficiencies and surpluses.

Heavy rain cut roads, flooded properties and washed away bagged barley in various country centres, while further damage was done by lightning and hail.

Temperature.—At most places in the tropics temperatures were on the whole about normal or a little below. The highest recorded in the State was 116 degrees at Marble Bar on the 20th, and although at this centre day temperatures were below normal more frequently than above, the mean maximum, 104 degrees, was nevertheless the highest in the State.

At Wyndham temperatures were above normal on all but three days, and the mean maximum of 103 degrees was the highest after Marble Bar. There were twenty six centuries at Wyndham and twenty five at Marble Bar.

In the southern part of the State temperatures were about normal for November. The lowest reported was 33 degrees at Norseman on the 2nd, but the most consistently cold place was Bridgetown, closely followed by Wandering. These were the coldest centres in the State on nine and eight days respectively, including three days on which they reported the same minimum.

Thunderstorms.—Although there were thunderstorms during the first week or so of the month they were not severe.

On the 13th and 14th however, they damaged standing crops, buildings and power lines. On the 26th, 27th and 28th severe storms were again experienced, damage in various places being caused by lightning, hail, rain and wind.

Metropolitan.—In Perth temperatures were above normal on sixteen days and the mean for the month exceeded the normal by 1.4 degrees.

There were thunderstorms over the city or within sight on nine days, and on the 7th lightning caused minor damage at Mt. Lawley and Welshpool. Towards the end of the month there were thunderstorms on three consecutive days, and one which commenced on the afternoon of the 28th lasted until after 3 a.m. on the following day. During this time a "fireball" struck a water tower at the Mt. Henry Aged Women's Home; bricks and concrete slabs from the tower were thrown in a radius of 50 yards.

In the early hours of the 29th Perth had one of its heaviest falls on record for a period of five minutes, during which 52 points of rain were recorded. Rainfall for the month was well above normal, due largely to a fall of 154 points with this storm. There were nine wet days in all, and on at least two other days there were showers in the suburbs though no rain fell at the Bureau.

The total of 230 points for the month was nearly an inch and a half above the normal for November, making the total for the first eleven months of the year, 3,721 points, nearly three inches above the normal fall for the same period.

Winds exceeded 40 m.p.h. on four days, and in each case showed an easterly component, illustrating the change from Winter towards Summer conditions.

December.

For most of December the central and tropical parts of the State were covered by a low pressure system which produced a few scattered thunderstorms, but not nearly so many as during the previous month. The west and south coasts were influenced mainly by anticyclones centred in the Indian Ocean with a ridge extending eastward over the south coastal districts.

The anticyclonic belt was rather further north than usual for this month, and as a result the South-Western Division was influenced mainly by southerly winds, rather than by easterlies. Similarly, due to the persistency of the inland low pressure centre, winds in the tropics were mainly westerlies, and there were no signs of the development of tropical cyclones off the north-west coast.

Rainfall.—Due to this lack of cyclonic development off the north-west, there were no widespread general rains in the tropics. However, there were scattered thunderstorms in most tropical divisions, and at odd places in the far north the total rain for the month was above normal. In the rest of the tropics totals were well down, and some centres received no rain at all.

During the first week there were scattered light showers in the southern half of the State with one or two heavier falls. In the next week there were further light to moderate showers in the northern sub-tropics and in the South-Eastern Division, but during the rest of the month the only rain south of the tropics fell in the South Coastal Subdivision, where the showers were very light.

Temperature.—Due to the prevalence of southerlies in the southern half of the State, and north-westerlies in the tropics, temperatures were below normal in most places during the first three weeks. After this they were mainly above the December normal.

The Kimberley Division provided an exception to this general picture, and in this region temperatures were fairly consistently above normal. At Marble Bar although the maximum exceeded 100 degrees on each day of the month, temperatures were almost all below normal in the first half of the month. In the second they were consistently above, the highest being 119 degrees on the 29th. This was the highest ever recorded at Marble Bar in December, and the highest in the State for a number of years.

The mean maximum for the last week of the year at this centre was 115 degrees and the temperature of 117 degrees recorded on the last day was preceded by 52 consecutive days of 100 degrees or over.

Only one centre registered a temperature of less than 40 degrees. This was Bridgetown where the minimum fell to 39 degrees on the 19th and to 37 degrees on the 15th.

Metropolitan.—In Perth weather was mainly fine and mild, with rather less easterly wind than usual at this time of the year. Rainfall was about half an inch below normal though there were four wet days.

Over the Christmas period conditions were ideal with the highest temperature for the month, 93.9 degrees, occurring on Boxing Day.

Temperatures were above normal on only five days, but there were no particularly cold periods, the lowest maximum being 72 degrees on the 5th.

Summary for 1956.

Weather.

An outstanding feature of this year's weather was the unusually high number of tropical cyclones which passed over the State or adjacent waters. Eight were identified and the time of occurrence of three of them was possibly more surprising than their record number. Only once since 1924 has there been a tropical cyclone development in May, and prior to this year, there are no records of their occurrences in July and August. The third of these unseasonable disturbances (*viz.*, the August Cyclone), caused some damage, putting the Cocos radio off the air for some time, but the other two dissipated harmlessly.

A cyclone early in March moving parallel to the coast from Roebourne to Perth was the most destructive. Carnarvon banana plantations were damaged while at Geraldton small craft were washed ashore.

Tropical disturbances during January caused east to north-east winds to predominate, but February's charts with varying winds resembled those expected during the change of season, rather than those of the hottest month of the year.

By the end of the first week in May, a series of depressions located off the south coast, and accompanied at times by tornadic squalls, brought an end to the fine weather which prevailed over most of the State since mid April.

During the next two months a series of such depressions controlled the weather over the State, and westerly gales associated with them caused damage in built up areas.

The anticyclonic belt which during August normally extends across the west coast in the vicinity of Geraldton was notably further south this year, with the result that rains were below normal. In the agricultural areas it was the driest August on record and when the September rains failed, due to a similar distribution of pressure, rain was anxiously awaited in October.

At the end of the first week a southern depression which appeared promising yielded only light falls. However, a day or so later many crops were saved from total failure when moderate to good rains fell in most parts.

After the last week in October a low pressure system covered the tropics and a large part of Central Australia. Southern depressions affected the weather over the south coast at times, but towards the end of November low pressure troughs extending from the systems over the northern part of the State caused a flow of tropical air to southern divisions with accompanying thunderstorms.

Due to a northerly drift of the anticyclonic belt milder than usual weather was experienced over the State during December.

For most of the month the central and northern divisions were covered by a low pressure system and winds in the tropics were mainly westerly. There were scattered thunderstorms over the area but falls were lighter than during November and there were no signs of tropical cyclone developments near the coast.

Late in July flood waters from districts north-east of Moora cut all roads except the main road to Perth, and the Great Northern Highway between Perth and Geraldton could be used only by big trucks. North of Moora the highway was submerged at places for more than half a mile.

The excessive rains of May, June and July which left many crops water-logged proved most beneficial during the following two months. August totals in the agricultural areas were lower than in the drought years of 1914 and 1940 and September rains were also deficient.

Stations in the Gascoyne, North-East and Eucla reported falls above normal at the end of August as also did places in the De Grey and Fortescue in early September. These rains were due mainly to the effects of the diminishing cyclone which passed over these divisions during this period. In the remainder of the State falls were generally light during these two months.

In the north coastal and south coastal areas of the South-West Division, the average fall for October and November exceeded that of September while in all but the Fortescue, Central and South coastal areas the September average was bettered in one of these two months. Falls were mainly light though at times general, but in the last days of November severe thunderstorms resulted in some heavy falls which were accompanied at places by hail.

December rain fell mainly during the first week in divisions south of the tropics though light falls continued in south coastal areas until the end of the month. These were the only regions where district averages exceeded the normal during the month.

Rainfall in the tropics, other than in the North Kimberley, was disappointing and the rains which characterise this month were entirely absent. Some stations received none at all and further south the West Gascoyne was absolutely rainless.

Temperature.

At Bridgetown, where on January 15th temperatures had fallen to 40 degrees, 37 degrees was recorded on February 23rd. This was the lowest minimum so far for the year.

Temperatures during March were slightly higher than normal, but apart from the first three days when 100 degrees or more was reached at towns in the lower south-west on at least one occasion, the marked feature was the sudden cool change of the 4th when maxima in the region were up to 37 degrees lower than the previous day.

The first frosts for the year were reported from Wandering and Bridgetown on April 24th when cold dry air associated with an anticyclone over the south coast provided ideal conditions for radiation of heat at night : During the following nights more frosts followed and on the 29th 31 degrees was recorded at Wandering.

Wyndham repeatedly recorded the highest temperature in the State during May, a month during which temperatures at most stations were below normal, and reached 98 degrees on the 15th.

There were widespread frosts in the southern half of the State towards the end of the month and minima dropped to 27 degrees at Corrigin on the 31st.

The most widespread snowfall in the State's history was followed on June 26th by exceptionally low temperatures. Patches of snow stretched 300 miles from the south coast north to the north-east wheat belt, accompanied by maxima as low as 45 degrees at some stations in the lower south-west, while in the same region few exceeded 50 degrees.

During June temperatures over the State were generally below normal and frosts were frequent. Temperatures fell to freezing point or lower on eighteen days, and at Mundiwindi minima fell to an all time June low when 24 degrees were recorded on the 24th.

There was little difference between July and August temperatures. In both months maxima south of the tropics were below normal and there were numerous frosts, some so severe that lambing losses resulted.

Temperatures rose above normal in the second half of September and reached 102 degrees at Marble Bar and Roebourne on the 24th. There were numerous frosts early in the month and on nine days of the first eleven minima fell below freezing point, reaching 27 degrees at Wandering on the 6th and 7th. September's mild weather helped save crops in the wheat belt.

October's temperatures were slightly below normal and November's slightly above. Frosts persisted to mid November but were scattered. At Wyndham maxima reached a century on all but two days in October and four in November, though the highest in each month, 108 degrees and 116 degrees respectively, was recorded at Marble Bar.

Temperatures were fairly consistently above normal in the Kimberley Division during December but elsewhere they were mainly below. Maxima at Marble Bar were almost all below normal during the first fortnight although they exceeded 100 degrees daily.

Towards the end of the year when temperatures at this station rose above normal, 119 degrees were recorded. Besides being equal highest for 1956 this is a December record for the station.

Thunderstorms.

Thunderstorms were reported from the tropics during most months and on a number of occasions communications were interrupted.

Lightning which struck a chimney in a Perth suburb late in July, smashed some thirty tiles, blasted 20 feet off the chimney and disintegrated light switches within the house. Some of the bricks were hurled nearly 50 yards while parts of a switch were found embedded in a cupboard.

Thunderstorms accompanied the winter rains in the wheat belt but were usually not severe. One exception, however, was a storm which swept through the Murray district during the night of June 30th. Falls of up to four inches were recorded at properties in the Pinjarra district and severe flooding resulted when further heavy rain fell that week-end.

Some severe thunderstorms were associated with the tropical air which surged south late in November. The most intense of these occurred near Merredin when, on the 28th, hail five inches in circumference battered the town.

Market gardens and nurseries were damaged during a gale on June 11th which reached 74 m.p.h. The coast from Yanchep to Mandurah was littered with small craft holed or swamped. Wild seas opened the bar at Mandurah, flooding the estuary and submerging a number of domestic properties.

Despite its gales, Perth enjoyed one of its sunniest years. February, April and January were respectively the 3rd, 4th and 5th sunniest on record.

No. 52—Abstract of Meteorological Observations.

A.—Observations at Perth (Latitude, 31° 57' S. Altitude above mean sea-level, 210 feet. Longitude, 115° 51' E).

1956.	Barometric Pressure. (Inches at Mean Sea Level).					Shade Temperature (° Fahr.).								Evaporation.			Rainfall.				
	Month.	Mean 9 a.m. & 3 p.m.	Normal.	Highest.	Lowest.	Mean Maxi- mum.	Normal.	Highest.	Highest Since 1897.		Mean Min- imum.	Normal.	Lowest.	Lowest Since 1897.		Points.		Points.		Wet Days.	
									Max.	Year.				Min.	Year.	Total.	Average 57 † Years.	Total.	Average 80 ‡ Years.	Total.	Average 80 ‡ Years.
January	29.87	29.91	30.08	29.68	91	85	111	111	1950	66	63	55	49	1925	1,076	1,023	....	31	....	3
February	29.77	29.92	29.96	29.57	87	85	108	112	1933	65	64	55	48	1902	902	858	5	46	1	3	
March	29.94	29.98	30.23	29.05	85	82	102	106	1922	63	61	53	46	1903	723	748	117	80	4	4	
April	30.05	30.06	30.38	29.71	74	76	82	100	1910	55	57	46	39	1914	457	466	182	180	7	7	
May	29.89	30.07	30.36	29.41	66	69	72	94	1907	51	53	41	34	1914	317	274	959	501	20	14	
June	30.02	30.06	30.38	29.30	61	64	68	82	1914	47	50	39	35	1955	160	182	758	725	15	17	
July	29.97	30.09	30.30	29.52	61	63	65	76	1921	47	48	40	34	1916	159	176	1,004	678	21	18	
August	30.21	30.08	30.54	29.83	62	64	69	82	1940	44	48	36	35	1908	261	239	159	571	10	18	
September	30.13	30.07	30.52	29.79	68	67	82	91	1918	49	50	37	37	1956	356	345	208	329	9	14	
October	30.01	30.03	30.28	29.78	69	70	81	95	1922	51	52	43	40	1931	547	536	99	220	7	12	
November	29.95	29.99	30.26	29.61	77	76	93	105	1913	57	57	50	42	1904	701	753	230	83	9	7	
December	29.92	29.92	30.13	29.51	79	81	94	108	1904	60	61	53	48	1955	890	954	14	60	4	4	

† Average for 57 years up to and including 1955.

‡ Average for 80 years up to and including 1955.

B.—Summary of Rainfall in Meteorological Divisions.

Year ended 31st December, 1956.

District.	Mean for Year ended 31st Dec. 1956.	Thirty Year Normal.	Percentage Departure from Thirty Year Normal.	Highest Fall.	Lowest Fall.
North Kimberley	Points. 3,489	Points. 3,116	% 12 Above	Kalumburu 4,070	Points. Wyndham 2,909
East Kimberley	1,978	1,493	32 Above	Turkey Creek 2,846	Pallottine Mission 1,159
West Kimberley	2,630	2,008	31 Above	Derby 3,092	Broome 2,250
De Grey	1,573	1,181	33 Above	Port Hedland 2,466	Bonny Downs 702
Fortescue	934	995	6 Below	Wittenoom Gorge 1,820	Ethel Creek 418
West Gascoyne	911	845	8 Above	Wooramel 961	Shark Bay 875
East Gascoyne	521	892	42 Below	Yuin 756	Three Rivers 95
North Coastal	1,453	1,690	9 Below	Walebing 2,100	Morawa 877
Central Coastal	3,446	3,549	3 Below	Jarrahdale 4,356	New Norcia 2,026
South Coastal	3,753	3,675	2 Above	Walpole 5,524	Hopetoun 1,639
North Central	1,226	1,386	12 Below	Toodyay 2,226	Tammin 928
South Central	1,403	1,710	18 Below	Darkan 2,341	Lake King 829
Eucla	738	740	0	Eucla 864	Forrest 527
South-Eastern	716	1,037	31 Below.	Westonia 1,206	Agnew 355
North-Eastern	500	923	46 Below.	Warburton Range 582	Wiluna 422

XV.—PARLIAMENTARY ROLLS.

No. 53.—Legislative Assembly, General Elections, 7th April, 1956.

Electoral Districts.	Net Enrolment at 7th April, 1956.			Electoral Districts.	Net Enrolment at 7th April, 1956.					
	Males.	Females.	Total.		Males.	Females.	Total.			
Albany	2,709	2,758	5,467	Narrogin	2,812	2,547	5,359			
Avon Valley	2,785	2,218	5,003	Nedlands	4,349	5,043	9,392			
Blackwood*	2,546	2,257	4,803	Northam	2,660	2,425	5,085			
Beeloo	5,272	5,394	10,666	Perth, East	4,274	4,892	9,166			
Boulder*	2,239	2,153	4,392	Perth, North	4,102	4,980	9,082			
Bunbury	2,770	2,850	5,620	Perth, South	4,766	5,422	10,188			
Canning	4,956	5,275	10,231	Perth, West	4,501	4,295	8,796			
Claremont	4,203	4,950	9,153	Pilbara	846	386	1,232			
Collie	2,617	2,328	4,945	Roe*	2,729	2,138	4,867			
Cottesloe	4,320	5,194	9,514	Stirling*	2,881	2,371	5,252			
Dale	2,881	2,818	5,699	Subiaco	4,258	5,092	9,750			
Darling Range*	2,373	2,488	4,861	Toodyay	2,670	2,279	4,949			
Eyre*	2,454	1,931	4,385	Vasse*	2,791	2,549	5,340			
Fremantle	4,819	4,625	9,444	Victoria Park	4,753	5,285	10,038			
Fremantle, South	5,385	5,232	10,617	Warren*	2,811	2,245	5,056			
Gascoyne	1,172	686	1,858	Wembley Beaches	5,676	6,274	11,950			
Geraldton	2,973	2,658	5,631	Total	171,234	170,784	342,018			
Greenough*	2,533	1,994	4,527							
Guildford-Midland	4,862	4,966	9,828							
Harvey*	2,744	2,396	5,140							
Kalgoorlie	2,488	2,262	4,750							
Katanning*	2,714	2,482	5,196							
Kimberley*	771	462	1,233							
Leederville	4,238	5,050	9,288							
Maylands	4,690	4,995	9,685							
Melville	4,786	5,102	9,888							
Merredin-Yilgarn	2,985	2,382	5,367							
Middle Swan*	4,885	5,010	9,895							
Moore*	2,575	2,111	4,686							
Mount Hawthorn	5,023	5,179	10,202							
Mount Lawley	4,865	5,448	10,313							
Mount Marshall*	2,718	2,259	4,977							
Murchison	2,414	1,814	4,228							
Murray*	2,590	2,434	5,024							
* Uncontested Districts.										
Electors in Contested Districts										
123,380 133,504 262,384										
Electors in Uncontested Districts										
42,354 37,280 79,634										
Votes Recorded (including 6,851 Informal Votes)										
118,511 123,352 241,863										

* Uncontested Districts.

No. 54.—Legislative Council, General Elections, 7th April, 1956.

Province.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Province	Males.	Females.	Total.			
<i>Number on Roll.</i>										
Central*	5,240	1,859	7,099	South-West	8,717	2,462	11,179			
Metropolitan	13,083	7,685	20,768	West*	23,304	7,994	31,298			
Suburban	16,764	8,861	25,625	Total	70,958	29,815	100,773			
Midland*	3,419	715	4,134							
North	1,462	264	1,726							
North-East	3,116	1,288	4,354							
South*	4,753	1,206	5,959							
South-East	4,512	1,311	5,823							
<i>Number on Roll.</i>										
Electors in Contested Provinces										
47,654 21,821 69,475										
Votes Recorded (including 855 Informal Votes)										
35,372 15,563 50,935										

* Uncontested Provinces.

XVI.—MISCELLANEOUS.

No. 55.—Building Operations—New Buildings Completed.

Note.—The figures hereunder cover the operations of all builders who accept contracts for the construction of new buildings and the day labour building operations of the principal Governmental construction agencies. The operations of "Owner-Builders" are also included. The value of land on which the buildings were erected is not included in the values shown in the following tables:—

A.—HOUSES COMPLETED—CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO MATERIALS OF OUTER WALL.

Period.	Brick, Stone, Cement.		Wood (a).		Fibro- Cement (a).		Other (a).		Total.	
	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.
1947		£,000		£,000		£,000		£,000		£,000
1947	1,114	1,365	257	196	966	862	62	47	2,399	2,470
1948	1,252	1,715	326	250	1,436	1,347	29	22	3,043	3,334
1949	1,449	2,235	228	191	1,571	1,649	42	43	3,290	4,118
1950	1,709	2,882	337	311	2,262	2,572	55	48	4,363	5,813
1951—Contract Owner-Built	1,547 608	3,377 1,183	323 130	384 141	1,779 1,154	2,744 1,497	169 21	204 14	3,818 1,913	6,709 2,835
Total	2,155	4,560	453	525	2,933	4,241	190	218	5,731	9,544
1952—Contract Owner-Built	1,906 1,100	5,202 2,895	625 120	1,428 181	2,189 1,655	3,939 2,739	127 8	254 9	4,847 2,883	10,823 5,824
Total	3,006	8,097	745	1,609	3,844	6,678	135	263	7,730	16,647
1953—Contract Owner-Built	1,514 1,162	4,822 3,595	909 67	2,525 132	2,214 1,752	4,794 3,483	17 7	45 9	4,654 2,988	12,186 7,219
Total	2,676	8,417	976	2,657	3,966	8,277	24	54	7,642	19,405
1954—Contract Owner-Built	1,600 1,265	5,565 4,202	173 41	442 88	3,006 1,817	6,872 3,961	.... 4	.... 4	4,770 3,127	12,879 8,255
Total	2,865	9,767	214	530	4,823	10,833	4	4	7,906	21,134
1955—Contract Owner-Built	1,977 1,291	7,108 4,667	194 31	540 81	3,838 1,433	9,251 3,363	3 5	8 9	6,012 2,760	16,907 8,120
Total	3,268	11,775	225	621	5,271	12,614	8	17	8,772	25,027
1956—Contract Owner-Built	2,066 951	6,987 3,504	39 23	115 60	2,066 898	4,854 2,010	1 3	2 7	4,172 1,875	11,958 5,581
Total	3,017	10,491	62	175	2,964	6,864	4	9	6,047	17,539
1956— March Quarter—										
Contract Owner-Built	462 275	1,606 1,051	28 4	83 8	656 259	1,567 589	.... ....	.... ....	1,146 538	3,256 1,648
Total	737	2,657	32	91	915	2,156	....	....	1,684	4,904
June Quarter—										
Contract Owner-Built	526 271	1,776 1,005	7 9	23 30	718 254	1,696 584	1	2	1,252 534	3,497 1,619
Total	797	2,781	16	53	972	2,280	1	2	1,786	5,116
September Quarter—										
Contract Owner-Built	518 175	1,755 638	1 5	3 16	412 168	968 374	.... 2	.... 2	931 350	2,726 1,030
Total	693	2,393	6	19	580	1,342	2	2	1,281	3,756
December Quarter—										
Contract Owner-Built	560 230	1,850 810	3 5	6 6	280 217	623 463	.... 1	.... 5	843 453	2,479 1,284
Total	790	2,660	8	12	497	1,086	1	5	1,206	3,763

(a) As from the December Quarter, 1946, timber-framed houses have been classified according to predominant material of outer walls. Previously, houses with outer walls partly of wood and partly of fibro-cement had been classified as "Other."

No. 55.—Building Operations—New Buildings Completed—continued.
B.—OTHER NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED.

Period.	Dwellings Other than Houses (b).		Shops without Dwellings attached.		Factories.		Other Buildings.		Total.	
	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.
		£,000		£,000		£,000		£,000		£,000
1947 ...	11	19	17	12	37	64	147	315	212	400
1948 ...	15	52	21	41	49	160	247	391	332	614
1949 ...	20	51	24	29	57	215	293	628	394	943
1950 ...	281	279	35	56	41	263	393	595	750	1,173
1951 ...	319	260	21	46	40	459	412	940	792	1,775
1952 ...	99	378	32	90	63	667	572	2,152	766	3,282
1953 ...	185	438	174	471	84	817	540	3,186	983	4,912
1954 ...	265	612	286	754	111	1,544	558	4,261	1,220	7,171
1955 ...	438	1,258	356	1,025	129	3,405	577	5,875	1,500	11,563
1956 ...	647	1,677	251	741	97	946	672	6,618	1,667	9,982
1956—										
March Quarter ...	136	323	65	150	28	349	167	1,848	396	2,670
June Quarter ...	215	458	55	180	25	210	171	1,544	466	2,392
September Quarter ...	164	407	72	215	23	177	177	1,930	436	2,729
December Quarter ...	132	489	59	196	21	210	157	1,296	369	2,191

(b) Including Shops with dwellings attached.

No. 56.—Building Permits Issued by Local Governing Authorities in the Metropolitan Area.
(Excludes Commonwealth, State and Local Government Buildings as permits are not issued for such.)

Period.	New Dwellings and Hotels. (See Footnote).		New Stores, Factories, Warehouses, and other Buildings.		Additions and Alterations.		Total Permits Issued.	
	No.	Value £.	No.	Value £.	No.	Value £.	No.	Value £.
1946-47 ...	1,828	2,019,417	92	132,799	2,888	338,368	4,808	2,490,584
1947-48 ...	2,104	2,584,501	94	191,704	3,524	460,441	5,722	3,236,646
1948-49 ...	2,700	3,686,753	101	325,781	3,736	426,956	6,537	4,439,490
1949-50 ...	3,554	5,512,598	115	272,038	3,561	477,004	7,230	6,261,640
1950-51 ...	5,818	11,035,330	164	633,360	4,725	887,065	10,707	12,555,756
1951-52 ...	5,355	11,673,354	245	1,119,398	5,631	1,274,005	11,231	14,066,756
1952-53 ...	4,311	11,134,189	409	2,111,673	5,619	1,629,954	10,330	14,875,816
1953-54 ...	6,133	16,634,863	657	3,069,354	5,560	1,921,776	12,350	21,625,993
1954-55 ...	6,460	18,239,972	696	3,999,729	5,181	2,059,259	12,337	24,298,960
1955-56 ...	4,358	12,359,333	549	3,763,409	5,000	2,203,628	9,907	18,326,370
1956-57—								
September Quarter ...	790	2,401,490	112	1,380,497	1,221	415,518	2,123	4,197,505
December Quarter ...	1,084	3,120,541	97	1,601,196	1,181	476,997	2,362	5,198,734

Note.—In order to show some comparability with the figures of pre-war years, new dwellings for the year 1945-46 and subsequent periods include certain dwellings being erected under Commonwealth-State Housing Schemes for which permits may not have been granted by the Local Government Authority.

CENSUS OF 30th JUNE, 1954.

No. 57.—Summary of Population and Dwellings in Western Australia.
(Exclusive of full-blood aborigines and dwellings occupied by them.)

STATISTICAL DIVISIONS	Population.			Dwellings. (a)	
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Occupied.	(a) Unoccupied.
Metropolitan ...	171,832	176,815	348,647	90,741	1,839
Swan ...	24,370	22,032	46,402	12,004	1,478
South West ...	36,607	31,946	68,553	17,336	1,540
Southern Agricultural ...	19,140	16,985	36,125	9,159	445
Central Agricultural ...	30,502	25,422	55,924	13,378	407
Northern Agricultural ...	17,663	14,405	32,068	7,403	276
Eastern Goldfields ...	18,560	16,018	34,578	9,607	524
Central ...	2,930	1,864	4,794	1,205	29
North West ...	2,751	1,469	4,220	749	11
Pilbara ...	1,795	855	2,650	564	40
Kimberley ...	2,303	1,240	3,543	677	25
Migratory (b) ...	1,905	362	2,267	....	....
Total, Census, 30th June, 1954 ...	330,358	309,413	639,771	162,823	6,614
Total, Census, 30th June, 1947 ...	258,076	244,404	502,480	125,060	2,606

- (a) For the purpose of the Census, a "dwelling" is any habitation occupied by a household group living together as a domestic unit, whether comprising the whole or part of a building. The term has, therefore, a very wide reference and includes, in addition to houses and flats, a great variety of "dwellings" ranging from a single-roomed shack to a multi-roomed hotel or institution.
- The term "unoccupied dwellings" is not synonymous with vacant houses and flats available for occupancy, but refers mainly to dwellings (including those used for week-end and holiday purposes) whose usual occupants were temporarily absent on the night of the Census. Newly-completed dwellings awaiting occupancy are also included.
- (b) Persons (both passengers and crew) not enumerated elsewhere who at midnight between the 30th June and the 1st July, 1954 were on board ships or were travelling on long distance trains or aircraft.

No. 58.—RETAIL SALES OF GOODS.

Value of Retail Sales classified according to Commodity Groups.

Figures supplied by Commonwealth Statistician

The figures in the table below relate to goods (as distinct from services, accommodation, entertainments, meals, etc.) sold to the public by establishments selling retail goods from fixed premises (shops, rooms, kiosks, yards). The table contains particulars of retail sales of goods for the years 1948–49 to 1954–55 on a comparable basis throughout.

The figures for the years 1948–49 and 1952–53 were obtained from Censuses taken in respect of those years, whereas particulars for the other periods shown are estimates based on sample surveys

(£ Million).

Period. (a)	Grocer- ies.	Butch- ers' Meat.	Other Food. (b)	Beer, Wine, Spirits.	Clothing, Drapery, Piece- goods, Foot- wear.	Hard- ware, China and Glass- ware. (c)	Electri- cal Goods and Radios.	Furni- ture and Floor Cover- ings.	Other Goods. (d)	Total (exclud- ing Motor Vehicles, etc.).	Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol. (e)
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Years.

1948–49	10.8	4.0	7.1	8.5	14.3	3.8	2.4	3.0	10.8	64.7	13.7
1949–50	12.3	4.9	8.2	9.4	16.2	4.6	3.7	3.3	13.7	76.3	22.7
1950–51	14.0	5.8	9.6	10.7	20.5	6.0	5.2	4.7	17.9	94.4	31.5
1951–52	17.9	7.3	11.6	13.3	22.9	8.5	6.5	5.0	24.1	117.1	38.1
1952–53	20.7	8.2	13.7	14.4	24.1	9.3	6.1	5.2	25.6	127.3	37.3
1953–54	22.3	9.0	14.7	15.5	26.5	10.2	6.6	5.9	29.1	139.8	43.5
1954–55	25.5	9.3	16.1	15.2	27.5	10.5	7.2	6.1	29.6	147.0	50.6
1955–56	26.4	9.9	18.4	15.4	27.5	11.2	7.8	6.1	29.0	151.7	56.3

Quarters.

March Qr.—	5.0	2.1	3.6	4.1	5.2	2.2	1.5	1.2	6.2	31.1	9.1
1953	5.3	2.2	3.7	4.4	5.5	2.4	1.6	1.3	6.6	33.0	10.0
1954	6.3	2.2	4.1	4.1	5.9	2.5	1.8	1.4	7.0	35.3	11.9
1955	6.5	2.4	4.9	4.4	5.7	2.6	2.0	1.4	6.7	36.6	14.3
June Qr.—	5.3	2.1	3.5	3.3	6.7	2.5	1.4	1.3	6.3	32.4	9.8
1953	5.8	2.4	3.7	3.6	7.3	2.6	1.4	1.5	7.3	35.6	11.7
1954	6.4	2.4	3.8	3.5	7.3	2.6	1.5	1.5	7.2	36.2	13.0
1955	6.8	2.6	4.4	3.5	7.2	2.8	1.5	1.4	7.0	37.2	12.3
Sept. Qr.—	5.4	2.2	3.5	3.3	6.1	2.4	1.5	1.5	6.8	32.7	10.4
1953	6.2	2.4	4.0	3.6	6.5	2.5	1.6	1.6	7.2	35.6	13.0
1954	6.4	2.5	4.4	3.3	6.7	2.7	1.8	1.6	6.9	36.3	13.7
1955	6.8	2.7	4.5	3.6	6.5	2.6	1.6	1.5	6.7	36.5	12.3
Dec. Qr.—	5.8	2.2	3.8	4.2	7.6	2.8	2.1	1.6	8.4	38.5	11.4
1953	6.6	2.3	4.2	4.0	7.8	2.9	2.3	1.6	8.2	39.9	12.7
1954	6.7	2.4	4.7	4.2	7.9	3.1	2.5	1.7	8.4	41.6	16.0

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1953, are subject to revision.

(b) Includes Fresh Fruit and Vegetables, Confectionery, Soft Drinks, Ice Cream, Cakes, Pastry, Cooked Provisions, Fish, etc., but excludes most delivered Milk and some delivered Bread.

(c) Excludes Basic Building Materials (e.g., Timber, Roofing Tiles, Bricks, etc.).

(d) Includes Tobacco, Cigarettes, etc., Newspapers, Books and Stationery, Chemists' Goods, Grain and Produce, Jewellery, Office Equipment, etc.

(e) Excludes Farm Machinery and Implements, Earth Moving Equipment, etc.

No. 59.—Generation of Electricity—Metropolitan Power Stations.

Year ended 30th June.	Units Generated.	Units Sent out.	Month.	1956-57.	
				Units Generated.	Units Sent out
	k.w.h.	k.w.h.		k.w.h.	k.w.h.
1945	186,377,360	170,899,600	July	47,974,500	43,316,400
1946	186,640,970	170,829,450	August	46,950,350	42,410,650
1947	201,025,250	184,237,550	September	42,508,797	38,555,150
1948	223,961,210	205,491,500	October	44,747,904	40,667,600
1949	220,625,530	200,947,100	November	44,182,046	39,817,850
1950	235,068,100	214,897,500	December	43,970,898	40,308,450
1951	277,824,500	253,007,240			
1952	323,780,600	281,644,900			
1953	350,187,900	310,605,305			
1954	400,776,165	358,722,772			
1955	462,393,900	413,606,478			
1956	517,135,700	465,513,166			

No. 60.—Motor Vehicle Registrations.

A.—NEW VEHICLES.

Period.	Metropolitan Traffic Area.				Entire State. (a)			
	Cars (including Hire Cars).	Wagons, Vans, Utilities.	Buses.	Motor Cycles.	Cars (including Hire Cars).	Wagons, Vans, Utilities.	Buses.	Motor Cycles.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1946	536	328	11	422	639	719	16	513
1947	1,224	519	40	593	2,074	1,697	54	883
1948	2,083	726	63	824	4,043	2,499	114	1,376
1949	3,250	1,141	79	1,160	6,603	3,774	160	2,125
1950	4,664	1,901	86	1,214	9,351	5,815	150	2,390
1951	4,263	2,088	51	1,886	7,921	5,792	101	3,193
1952	4,088	2,006	74	1,121	8,078	5,549	115	1,939
1953	4,460	1,869	57	746	8,166	5,071	76	1,239
1954	6,499	2,487	34	736	11,667	6,083	70	1,267
1955	6,852	2,533	18	701	11,612	5,606	59	1,130
1956	5,219	1,856	24	724	9,067	4,582	85	1,057
Months—1956—								
January	419	167	....	63	742	390	4	94
February	544	186	3	76	903	449	18	107
March	567	165	1	86	939	419	5	123
April	356	129	1	68	583	340	10	94
May	395	173	2	47	649	434	6	63
June	274	137	2	29	491	311	5	49
July	364	173	1	39	637	376	3	63
August	546	203	1	49	933	422	8	75
September	459	128	4	43	804	329	11	79
October	476	144	1	76	846	404	4	105
November	474	141	7	71	864	390	9	99
December	345	110	1	77	676	318	2	106

(a) Includes Commonwealth-owned vehicles other than those of defence services.

No. 60.—Motor Vehicle Registrations—continued.
B.—MOTOR VEHICLES IN USE (Effective Registrations).

Date, (As at end of Month.)	Metropolitan Traffic Area.				Entire State. (a)			
	Cars (in- cluding Hire Cars.)	Wagons, Vans, Utilities.	Buses.	Motor Cycles.	Cars (in- cluding Hire Cars.)	Wagons, Vans, Utilities.	Buses.	Motor Cycles.
1946—June	19,214	7,989	204	4,295	31,408	28,590	314	6,799
1947—June	20,522	9,467	255	5,290	32,879	31,762	335	8,199
1948—June	21,968	10,132	275	5,445	35,596	34,822	463	8,877
1949—June	24,259	11,330	364	6,729	40,119	38,247	654	10,974
1950—June	28,529	12,530	443	7,707	48,632	42,370	836	12,897
1951—June	32,966	14,461	499	8,876	56,235	46,964	958	14,535
1952—June	37,873	16,368	522	9,952	64,277	51,645	998	16,047
1953—June	41,231	18,394	537	9,855	69,017	55,420	1,043	15,565
1954—June	47,819	20,400	593	9,692	78,312	59,257	1,124	15,243
1955—June	55,720	22,694	555	9,605	90,255	62,753	1,138	14,662
1956—June	61,835	24,169	569	9,253	98,875	64,430	1,196	13,873
Months—1956—								
January	59,949	23,869	562	9,374	94,382	61,386	1,063	13,310
February	60,256	23,908	564	9,371	95,852	62,733	1,171	13,660
March	60,621	23,895	565	9,345	96,908	63,432	1,181	13,857
April	61,206	24,070	566	9,365	96,838	62,854	1,180	13,602
May	61,421	24,191	568	9,382	97,995	64,011	1,188	13,877
June	61,835	24,169	569	9,253	98,875	64,430	1,196	13,873
July	62,938	24,520	572	9,274	98,258	62,841	1,188	13,356
August	63,270	24,555	572	9,170	98,977	63,085	1,195	13,278
September	63,514	24,585	569	9,164	99,566	63,310	1,199	13,308
October	64,101	24,671	570	9,165	99,904	63,168	1,194	13,151
November	64,226	24,683	570	9,153	101,093	64,227	1,204	13,394
December	64,158	24,641	573	9,133	101,708	64,765	1,209	13,551

(a) Revised to include Commonwealth-owned vehicles other than those of defence services.

No. 61.—Employment.

FACTORIES.

Index numbers showing the trend in Factory Employment since 1945.

(Base: Mean Employment in 1928–29, viz., 19,799, = 100.)

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Annual Mean.
1945	142	142	144	144	144	145	146	145	143	140	140	144	143
1946	144	148	150	153	154	154	157	159	160	161	158	163	155
1947	162	164	166	167	168	167	167	167	168	168	169	170	167
1948	171	172	176	176	177	177	177	179	180	180	182	182	177
1949	179	182	186	187	187	187	182	189	190	191	192	194	187
1950	194	197	200	200	203	202	204	204	204	206	207	207	202
1951	208	212	215	215	216	215	218	217	216	217	217	215	214
1952	214	216	216	215	214	211	211	212	211	212	213	213	213
1953	213	217	220	221	222	220	221	221	223	224	227	227	221
1954	226	228	231	230	231	230	230	230	232	233	234	233	231
1955	237	240	242	243	242	239	†237	†238	†240	†240	†242	†242	†240
1956	†241	†242	†238	†238	†237	†235	†233	†232	†233	†234	†234	†235	†236

† Preliminary figures based primarily on Pay Roll Tax Returns.

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